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To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Charles J. Hoxie a minor having been placed as an apprentice with Frederic S. Chase within the limits of your meeting and a removal certificate being requested for him. We certify on his behalf that he is a standing member of this meeting, and a frequent attender thereof.

As such we recommend him to your Christian care and oversight, and remain your friends. ———

Signed by direction and on behalf of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 1st of 6th Mo 1849.

Newell Hoxie }
Hepzibah W. Swift } Clerks

Mathah Yffn, Correspondent

1828. 7mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 24th of 7m 1828

Representatives — New Bedford Preparative Meeting. Barnabas Taber, John Howland, Jr — Longplain. Wing Howland, Nicholas Davis — Acushnet, Shadrach Davis and Jeriah Wood; who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Proportion of Q. M. Stock $124. By a minute from our last Quarterly Meeting we are informed, that our proportion of Stock is One hundred & twenty four dollars, which our Treasurer is requested to pay to theirs, when the state of the Treas.y will admit.

Complaint. Chs W. Morgan. The following complaint from the Overseers respecting Charles W. Morgan being read, viz.

"We consider it our duty to inform the Meeting, that Charles W. Morgan has for a very considerable time past, wholly discontinued the attendance of our religious Meetings, and had manifested a preference for the Meetings of another Society, by his frequent attendance of them. Some care has been extended in the case. — He appears to be fully decided in his intention of leaving the Society, — and we are united in judgment, that no usefulness will arise from further delay in presenting the case to the consideration of the Meeting.

"On behalf of the Overseers,

7mo. 17. 1828. Barnas Taber,

Abm Shearman, Jr."

Cornelius Howland & Seth Russell are appointed to visit him, and report to a future Meeting.

Minutes of Y. Meeting. Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting — with the Report of the Boarding School Committee, were received and read in this Meeting;

— (For copies of these, Minutes, &c. see, printed sheet — over.)

Denial of Sarah Morgan. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Sarah Morgan.

8th Mo At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 28th of 8th mo 1828

Representatives — N Bedford, Job Eddy, Barnas Taber — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Amos Kelley — Acushnet, Areli Dewolf, George Almy — who are all present.

Clerks app.d The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired, Abraham Shearman, Jr is appointed Clerk, and

1828. 8 Mo: Joseph Davis. Assistant Clerk: for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Epistle from Yearly Meetg.

An Epistle from our late Yearly Meeting, was received and read in this Meeting, to our satisfaction.

Denial of Sarah Wilson & Sarah Coggeshall.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of Membership to Sarah Wilson, late Hathaway, — also in denying the same right to Sarah Coggeshall, late Wing.

Removal. H. Thornton

A removal Certificate directed to the Mo. Meeting of Uxbridge, on behalf of Hannah Thornton, is approved.

Complaint Job Baker.

The following Complaint from the Overseers, respecting Job Baker, being read, vizt.

"We think it necessary to inform the Meeting that Job Baker has failed to pay his just debts.— It appears to us that there has been too much neglect in a timely inspection of his affairs, and disclosure of his circumstances, as recommended by the Discipline.

New-Bedford, 8mo. 21. 1828. Francis Taber,
Abrm. Shearman, Jr.
To the Monthly Meeting. Barnd. Taber."

Job Eddy, Cornelius Howland, Seth Russell, and Abraham Shearman, Jr. are appointed to take the case into consideration, extend such labour therein as may appear necessary, and report their judgment to a future Meeting.

Denial of C. W. Morgan.

The Committee appointed last month, in the case of Charles W. Morgan, made the following report.

"We inform the Monthly Meeting, that Charles W. Morgan has been called upon by one of the Committee appointed to visit him; and an interview requested on their behalf, which he declined giving; and we do not see that any thing further can be done in the case.

New-Bedford, 8mo. 28. 1828. Cornelius Howland.
Seth Russell.

which being considered, and the Women's Meeting uniting therein, we deny him the right of membership, & Seth Russell is named to inform him hereof.

9mo. S.R. reports that C.W.M. was informed.

Certif. for W. Sampson & Wife recd.

A removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Sampson & wife is accepted.

Committee to propose Overseers.

Joseph Davis, Cornelius Howland, Areli Dewolf, Matthew Howland & Obadiah Davis, are named a Committee to consider of, and propose to our next Mo. Meeting, the names of such persons as they think suitable to be appointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode-Island, in the 6th month, 1828.

The following Minutes, adopted with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, were directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings:

This Meeting having been introduced into a weighty consideration of the relation in which we stand towards Friends of some of the other Yearly Meetings on this continent, in which difficulties have lamentably prevailed, till separation has been the result; we have deemed it our indispensable duty to meet the exigencies of the occasion, by manifesting our unity with those Meetings which have continued steadfast in their adherence to the ancient order, discipline and faith of the Society, and our disunity with those who have receded therefrom; and it is therefore our conclusion, that no removal or other certificates be received from, or transmitted to, such Meetings as are known to have receded from the ancient foundation of the Society. And Friends are cautioned against opening our Meeting-Houses to any who have identified themselves with the bodies thus receding; and all our Members are advised not to attend meetings that may be held or appointed by such.

The annexed extract from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting held in Philadelphia, by adjournments from the 21st to the 28th of the 4th month last, shew what Meetings within its limits, are in unity with that Yearly Meeting.

Till some more certain information shall be received of the situation of the various Meetings within the compass of the Yearly Meeting of New-York, and other Yearly Meetings in which division, or a departure from those principles and practices which once united us together as one people, is unhappily manifesting itself, we recommend to all our subordinate Meetings, the exercise of a sound discretion in the premises. And should cases occur, in which any of our Meetings find it difficult to decide, they are requested to apply to the Meeting for Sufferings for its advice; and said Meeting is desired to give its attention to the subject, and render all the assistance herein, from time to time, that it may be qualified to afford.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. *Clerk.*

Extract from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Friends, held in Philadelphia, by adjournments, from the 21st to the 28th, inclusive, of the 4th month, 1828—accompanying their Epistle of that date.

On considering the difficulty and embarrasment in which Meetings may be involved, for want of knowing whether certificates which may be produced to them are issued by Meetings in unity with us, several Friends are appointed in each of our Quarterly Meetings as correspondents, one or more of whom are to sign (in addition to the usual mode of signing,) all certificates of removal, and all other certificates or minutes given forth for Friends; and it is requested, in order that certificates may duly reach the Meetings to which they are directed, that they be addressed or sent to one of those Friends.—The names of the correspondents, with their respective places of residence, are subjoined.

Philadelphia Quarter—	Joseph Whitaker, *Muncy.*	
	John Lee, *Exeter.*	
	John Paul, Isaac W. Morris,	*Philadelphia.*
Abington Quarter—	Charles Shoemaker, *Abington.*	
	Jesse Spencer, *Gwynnedd.*	
	James Bell, *Stroudsburg.*	
Bucks Quarter—	Joseph Satterthwaite, *Falls Township,* Benjamin Wiggins, *Wrights Town,* John W. Balderson, *Solebury,*	Bucks Co. Pennsylvania.
Concord Quarter—	Joseph Rhoads, *Marple township,* Nathan Sharpless, *Concord,*	Delaware County, Pennsylvania.
	John Forsythe, *West Goshen,*	Chester County, Pennsylvania.
Caln Quarter—	Robert Moore, *Sadsbury,* Thomas Jackson, *Robeson,* George G. Ashbridge, *Downingtown,*	Chester Co. Pennsylvania.
Western Quarter—	William Bailey, *London Grove,* Edward B. Temple, *Parkersville Post Office,* Thomas Lambourn, *New Garden,*	Chester Co. Penn.
Burlington Quarter—	William Allison, *Burlington City,* William Newbold, *Upper Springfield,* Samuel Bunting, *Crosswicks, Burlington Co.* Daniel Parker, *Tuckerton,*	New-Jersey.
Haddonfield Quarter—	Barzillai Leeds, *Great Egg Harbour,* John Gill, *Haddonfield,* Joseph Matlack, *Moorestown,* Joshua Stokes, *Upper Evesham,*	New-Jersey.
Salem Quarter—	Samuel Webster, *Woodbury,* Caspar Wistar, *Salem,* George Bacon, *Greenwich,*	New-Jersey.
Shrewsbury & Rahway Quarter.	Benjamin Parker, *Shrewsbury,* Jacob Parker, *Rahway,* Nathan Vail, *Plainfield,*	New-Jersey.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island, in the 6th month, 1828.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee having been read and considered, is satisfactory to this Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to forward copies thereof to our several Monthly Meetings, for their information.

From the Minutes of the Meeting aforesaid.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, JUN. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT, That they have given their attention to the concerns of the Institution, during the past year, and feel encouraged to believe that the expectations of Friends, in regard to its usefulness to the children and youth of the Society, will be realized.

The School is continued under the charge of ENOCH and LYDIA BREED, as Superintendents; ISAIAH JONES, GEORGE JONES, MOSES MITCHELL, ABIGAIL PEIRCE, MARY ALMY, and LYDIA B. ALLEN, as Teachers. The average number of Scholars for the year past has been one hundred and twenty-one; and their general conduct and improvement have been satisfactory to the Committee. Meetings for worship have been regularly held, and occasionally attended by some of the Committee. The family has been preserved in a good degree of harmony.

The account of the Treasurer of the School Fund has been received and audited; and the state of the Fund is such, that the Committee think it safe to propose to the Yearly Meeting, that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting be admitted after the 1st of 7th month next, at twelve and a half dollars per quarter, and that the several Monthly Meetings have the privilege of sending one child through the year, or two children six months each, free of expense; and that should any surplus remain, that the Committee may consider it safe to appropriate, that it may be at their disposal in aid of the charitable funds of this Institution.

The Committee feel it to be their duty again to recommend to the attention of Parents and others having the care of children, and to the Committees of Monthly Meetings, their previous advices on the interesting subject of Plainness, and particularly the Minutes accompanying their Report in 1825, which were printed and distributed by direction of the Yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

MOSES BROWN.
ELIZABETH CONGDON.

Providence, 5 mo. 2d, 1828.

N. Bedford Mo. Meeting

Minute of Yearly Meeting

1828.

1828. 9mo — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 25th of 9mo 1828.
Representatives — New Bedford, Job Otis, Reuben Russell — Longplain; Matthew Howland, Nicholas Davis. — Acushnet; Amaziah Delano, Benjamin Taber who are all present.

Queries &c — The Queries were read, with answers from the several Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d & 10th; and a Summary thereof directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are Job Eddy, Barnabas Taber Caleb Shearman

Overseers of Mo. Mg. — Francis Taber, Abraham Shearman Jr Barnabas Taber, Perry Russell; Obadiah Davis, Abraham Davis; Amaziah Delano and Aseli Dewolf were proposed by the Committee named last Month, and are appointed Overseers of this Monthly Meeting, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Silvia Grinnell proposed as Elder — We unite with the Women's Meeting in the appointment of Silvia Grinnell to the place of an Elder, should it meet the approbation of the Quarterly Meeting.

The following complaint from the Overseers respecting

Complaint Chs. Braley — Charles Braley, being read, viz.

"To New Bedford Mo. Meeting.

"Charles Braley hath intirely neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings, and he doth not manifest the appearance of a Friend in his dress or address; but hath a choice in being disunited from us, as appeared in an opportunity we had with him; wherein we laboured in the ability afforded, to convince him of the necessity of leading a religious life.

Obadiah Davis.
Abraham Davis.

We appoint John K Davis and Wing Howland to extend further labour in the case, if way should open for it, and report to a future meeting.

Complaint J. Richetson — The Overseers inform, that Joseph Richetson has married a first cousin, contrary to the established order of our Society — Cornelius Howland & Abraham Shearman Jr are appointed to visit him on that account, and report to a future Meeting.

P. Prior removal Certy. recd. — A removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of New York, held in the Sixth Month last on behalf of Phebe Prior, is accepted.

At

1828. 10mo

(At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d of 10mo. 1828.
Representatives. New Bedford, William Tallman, Abraham Barker — Longplain, Cornelius Howland, Seth C. Hiller — Accushnet, Shadrach Davis, George Almy — who are all present.)

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended.

Humphry Kempton restored

The Committee appointed as by minute of the 9th month last year, to visit Humphry Kempton, made the following report: "To the Monthly Meeting:

"Agreeably to our appointment we have had several opportunities with Humphry Kempton on his request to be restored to membership, and are united in opinion that it will be best to grant his request, which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting.

Job Eddy,
New Bedford, 10mo. 23, 1828. Amaziah Delano,
Job Otis."

which being considered, he is, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, restored to membership, and George Almy is named to inform him hereof. The request which he presented to the Meeting in the nature of an acknowledgment is directed to be recorded.

Wm Rotch, Jr. released from the station of Elder

William Rotch, Junr. having in our last Mo. Meeting requested to be released from the station of an Elder, on the ground of want of unity with the minutes or conclusions of the Yearly Meeting, read in this Meeting in the seventh month last; we do, after deliberately considering the case, think it best; at the same time that we feel unity with the conclusions referred to, to release him as requested, and no longer consider him as standing in the station of an Elder, and the Women concurring herein, the subject is referred to the Quarterly Meeting.

James M. Grinnell denied

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 5th Mo. last, to visit James M. Grinnell, made the following report: "To the Monthly Meeting.

"Agreeably to our appointment we have had an interview with James M. Grinnell on the subject of the complaint of the Overseers, but did not find that

1828 10mo. would have been desirable, and we are united in opinion that at present there is no room for further labour in the case, which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting.

Caleb Shearman,
New Bedford, 8mo 27, 1828. William Tallman,
Job Otis.

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Job Eddy is named to inform him hereof.

Edwd Swain, denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of the 5th Month 1825, to visit Edward Swain, made the following report. "To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeable to appointment, we have visited Edward Swain on the subject of his deviation in marriage; but did not find him in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction therefor. Concluding we can be of no further use in the case, we submit it to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Saml Taber
10mo 23d 1828. Wm Howland."

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Abraham Shearman, Junr is named to inform him hereof.

$500 proposd to be raisd. The Auditors report, That they have settled with the Treasurer of this Meeting, and find a balance due him of \$75 11/100 and propose that five hundred Dollars be raised for the service of the ensuing year; which is united with, and Daniel Davis, Shadrach Davis, George Howland, Junr & Elisha Thornton, ……………… are named to collect the same, and present the Treasurer's receipts when accomplished.

Subscriptns recommended for T. Evans's work. Subscriptions being recommended by the Meeting for Sufferings, for a Book entitled "An Exposition of the Faith of the religious Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers, in the Fundamental Doctrines of the Christian Religion, principally selected from their Early Writings; by Thomas Evans." The Friends appointed (as by the preceding Minute) on the collection, are requested to receive subscriptions therefor, and report the number wanted to a future Meeting.

At

1828. 11 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 11mo. 1828. Representatives - New Bedford, Job Otis, Geo. W. Baker -- Longplain, Wing Howland, Daniel Davis --- Acushnet, Amaziah Delano, George Almy; who are all presd.

The Queries were read, with answers from the several Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d. and 10th - and answers adopted therefrom directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, Job Eddy, Abraham Davis, & Amaziah Delano.

Proposal to unite L.Plain & Acushnet Preparative Meetings

The subject of uniting Longplain and Acushnet Preparative Meetings, having been opened in this Meeting, and claimed its attention, we appoint Francies Taber, Joseph Davis, Abraham Shearman, Jun.r Job Eddy, Job Otis, and Barnabas Taber, to unite with a Committee of the Women's Meeting, in taking the subject into consideration, visiting those Meetings, - and to report their judgment to a future Monthly Meeting.

Sarah Ricketson, denied.

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Sarah Ricketson, late Russell.

Certif. for Mary Ann Austin approd.

A removal Certificate directed to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Mary Ann Austin, is approved

Jos. Ricketson denied.

The Committee appointed to visit Joseph Ricketson, as by minute of the 9th mo. last, made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"Agreeable to appointment, we have visited Joseph Ricketson. He manifested a regard for Society; but was not convinced of the propriety of the rule of our Discipline, disallowing of marriage between first Cousins; and we have no encouragement to believe, that a longer continuance of the case under our care will be useful.

Cornelius Howland

New Bedford, 11mo. 20, 1828. Abm. Shearman, Jun.r"

which being considered, and the Women concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Seth Russell is named to inform him hereof.

Complaint: Russell Braley.

The following complaint from the Overseers, respecting Russell Braley, being read, viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

"We hereby inform that Russell Braley hath married with one not a member of our Society, previous to which we had an opportunity with him. From your Friends, Obadiah Davis.

11mo. 19, 1828. Abraham Davis."

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we appoint Wing Howland and Shadrach Davis to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

Certif. for Seth R. Aken rec.d

A removal Certificate from Scipio Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Seth R. Aken, is accepted.

Barnabas Delano, having requested a minute to Leeds Monthly Meeting, Jeremiah Wood and George Almy, are requested to take the necessary care in the case, and report at a future Meeting.

Nancy Perry denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Nancy Perry.

An account to the Quarterly Meeting is approv.d and directed to be signed by the Clerks.

1828. 12mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 12mo. 1828

Representatives — New Bedford, Reuben Russell, William Tallman — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Matthew Howland — Accushnet, Abel Dewolf, Amariah Delano — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

L.plain & Accushnet Preparative Meet.gs united.

The Committee appointed last month to take into consideration the subject of uniting Longplain and Accushnet Preparative Meetings, report; — "That most of their number have visited those Meetings; and after solidly considering the subject; they are united in believing that it will tend to the benefit of Society, for said Meetings, to constitute but one Preparative Meeting, to be held alternately at Longplain & Accushnet, to commence with the former in the first month. — Which they submit to the consideration of the Meeting." (Signed,) on behalf of the Committee,

Abm. Shearman, Jun.

New Bedford, 12mo. 22d. 1828. Mary Card.

Which report is accepted, and the Women's Meeting concurring therein, those Meetings are united in one for the purpose of holding a Preparative Meeting, as proposed: — and it is concluded that it be held at each place, as it may occur, on the fourth day of the week preceding the Monthly Meeting; and be designated as Longplain Preparative Meeting.

The following request of Isaac Hiller being received through Longplain Preparative Meeting:

viz.t

1828. 12mo.

Isaac Hiller's request

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"Dear Friends. Whereas I have in time past given Friends occasion to disown me, I now sincerely acknowledge my fault, and desire again to be received into Membership. —

From your Friend. Isaac Hiller.

Rochester, 12mo 17th, 1828."

We appoint Joseph Davis and Barnabas Taber, to visit him on account of said request, and report their judgment to a future Meeting.

Almira Jenney denied

We concur with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership with us, to Almira Jenney, who has joined the Methodist Society.

Complaint agst. Humphry Davis

The following complaint from the Overseers respecting Humphry Davis, being received, viz.

"The Overseers of the Monthly Meeting consider it to be their duty, (though they feel it to be a painful one,) to state to the Meeting, that Humphry Davis has for several years past manifested much disunity with the Society. For a considerable time he entirely neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings; and in some instances attended Meetings of a separate character. — On account of this departure from the unity of the body, as well as on account of his publick communications in our Meetings, (when he did attend them,) and which were burthensome to Friends, labour was extended, and mostly with but little satisfaction to those who felt it to be their duty to visit him on these occasions — and altho' he has for some time past attended our Meetings, his publick communications have been frequent, and as we have believed, have not been in the life and authority of the Truth. — Having endeavoured, from time to time, according to the best of our ability, to convince him of the necessity of becoming reconciled to, and receiving the advice of his Friends, — without the desired effect, — and having no encouragement to believe that any thing more favourable will result from further delay, we apprehend the time has fully come for us to lay the case before the Meeting for its consideration.

"On behalf of the Overseers, Francis Taber.

"11mo 18, 1828. Abrm. Shearman, Jr."

— We appoint Job Eddy, Perry Russell & Cornelius Howland, to visit him, and extend such further labour in the case as way may open for, and report their judgment to a future Meeting.

1829. 1 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 22d of 1st mo. 1829

Representatives — New Bedford, Seth Russell, Joseph Davis — Longplain, Shadrach Davis, Amos Kelley — all present.

Chs Braley denied. The Committee appointed, as by minute of 9th month last, to visit Charles Braley, made the following report.

"To the Monthly Meeting. Dear friends, Your Committee in the case of Charles Braley report, That we have attended to our appointment, have visited him, and he does not manifest a disposition to condemn his deviation from our discipline; neither any wish to be retained a member of our religious Society any longer; but has manifested a disaffection towards us. Believing that no further labour will be useful in the case, we submit it to the Monthly Meeting.

"1 mo. 22. 1829. John R. Davis,
Wing Howland."

which being considered, and the Women concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Wing Howland is named to inform him hereof.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 7 mo. 1826.

D. Butler, Jr. denied. to visit Daniel Butler, Junr. made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting. — We have attended to our appointment in the case of Daniel Butler, Junr. Have made him several visits; and have laboured with him on account of the different causes of complaint. — He has at times given us some encouragement; but as he has discontinued the attendance of our Meetings; and has lately married out of Society; we do not see that we can be further useful. Which is submitted to the Meeting.

William Howland.
"N. Bedford, 1 mo. 22. 1829. Seth Russell."

which being duly considered, we do with the unity of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Joseph Davis is named to inform hereof.

ctf for und Delano approd. A removal certificate, directed to Leeds Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Barnabas Delano, is approved.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 12 mo. 1827.

D. Knowles denied. to visit Daniel Knowles, made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeable to appointment we have visited Daniel Knowles on the subject of his deviation in marriage; but did not find him in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction therefor. —

1829. 1mo. believing we can be of no further use in the case, we submit it to the consideration of the Mo. Meeting.

Barnabas Taber,
1mo. 22d. 1829. Joseph Davis."

which being considered, is united with by the Meeting, and the Women concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Job Eddy is named to inform him hereof.

$500- paid. The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurer's receipt for $500. the sum proposed to be raised.

Add.d to Com. to visit S.W. Hussey and J.H. Allen. Job Otis, Job Eddy, and William Tallman are added to the Committee appointed in 8th mo. 1823, to visit Samuel W. Hussey and Joseph H. Allen, on the Complaint then presented.

1829. 2mo. At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 2mo. 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford: Caleb Shearman, Job Eddy — Longplain, George Almy, Amariah Delano — who are all present, except the latter.

Isaac Hiller rec.d The Committee appointed in the 12th month last, to visit Isaac Hiller, on the request then made by him, made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"Dear Friends, Agreeably to our appointment, we have visited Isaac Hiller on account of his request to be again received a member of our religious society, to our satisfaction; and are united in believing that it will be safe to receive him into membership with us which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Davis,
"2mo. 26. 1829. Barnabas Taber."

which being solidly considered, he is, with the unity of the Women's Meeting, again restored to membership; and Barnabas Taber is named to inform him hereof.

Complaint. Caleb Kempton. The Overseers inform, that Caleb Kempton has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a Member — Francis Taber and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on that account, and report to a future Meeting.

1829. 3 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 26th of 3 mo. 1829.
Representatives — New Bedford, Reuben Russell, Barn Taber — Longplain, Areli Dewolf, Abraham Davis — who are all present.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers, from which general answers were compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, Francis Taber, George Howland & Abr.m Davis.

G. Howland, Jr & Silvia G. Allen proposal of marriage. George Howland, Jun.r & Silvia G. Allen appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage; Seth Russell & Joseph Taber are appointed to inquire into George's clearness to proceed therein, and report to next Mo. Meeting.

Jer.h Winslow denied. It appears from a minute made in 3.d mo. 1823, that Jeremiah Winslow had married out of the order of our Society, with one who was not in profession with us and as he had then left us to embark for a foreign country, the appointment of a Committee, to treat with him on that account, was deferred till his return — as he still continues to reside abroad, and it does not appear that he has a prospect of soon returning to this country, this Meeting, after deliberately considering the circumstances of the case and the length of time that has already elapsed, concludes, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, to deny him the right of membership; and William C. Taber is appointed to inform him hereof, when opportunity offers.

Amy Burbank & Hannah Macomber denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying, the right of membership to Amy Burbank (late Allen,) and also in denying the same right to Hannah Macomber (late Cowing.)

1829. 4 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23.d of 4 mo. 1829.
Representatives — New Bedford, Resolved Howland, William Tallman — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Amaziah Delano — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The Committee appointed to make inquiry relative to George Howland, Jun.r's clearness to proceed in marriage report that they find nothing to obstruct.

1829. 4mo.

Geo. Howland Jr. & Silvia G. Allen's marriage allowd.

George Howland, Jr. and Silvia G. Allen having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they having consent of Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage agreeably to the established order of our Society — and William Tallman and Abraham Shearman, Junr. are named to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Mo. Meeting.

Russell Braley denied

The Committee appointed as by minute of 11mo. last, to visit Russell Braley, report that they have attended to their appointment, and do not find him in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his deviation from our discipline, and do not think that any further labour will be availing from them — which being duly considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Obadiah Davis is named to inform him hereof.

Complaint. Elijah B. Allen

We are informed by Longplain Preparative Meeting, that Elijah B. Allen has for a considerable time neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings, and that his general conduct is inconsistent with our religious profession — Shadrach Davis and Job Otis are appointed to visit him on that account, and report to a future Meeting.

A removal Certificate is requested to Baltimore Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Seth Russell, Junr. — Barnd. Taber and Joseph Tillinghast are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report to a future Meeting.

Longplain first-day meetgs.

It is concluded that in future the time of holding two Meetings on the first day of the week, at Longplain, be, from the first of the fifth to the close of the 8th mo. — to commence at the same hours as heretofore.

Jno. R. Davis proposes attend. N. Y. Yearly Meeting

Our beloved friend John R. Davis opened in this Meeting a concern that has for some time past rested on his mind, to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Friends in New York — the subject claimed the feeling consideration of the Meeting — He has our sympathy in the concern, and is left at liberty to pursue his prospect, being a minister in unity with us — And the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Deborah Otis also proposes attend. N. Y. Y. Meetg.

Our beloved friend Deborah Otis informed this Meeting, that she has a prospect of attending the ensuing

Yearly Meeting of Friends of New York — which subject claimed the weighty consideration of this Meeting and was feelingly united with, she being a minister in unity with us — and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute

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1829 5 mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 5 mo. 1829.

Representatives — New-Bedford, Benjamin Swift, William Tallman. Longplain, Amaziah Delano, Areli Dewolf, who are all present.

The Friends who were appointed to have the oversight of George Howland, jun.rs marriage, report that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Removal Certif. for Peleg and Mary Howland, rec.d A removal Certificate from Oswego Mo. Meeting (New York) on behalf of Peleg Howland, and his Wife, Mary Howland, was read and accepted.

Mary D. Butler denied We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary D. Butler, who has united with another religious Society.

Jos. H. Allen denied The Committee appointed in the 8th mo. 1823, & 1 mo. 1829, to visit Samuel W. Hussey and Joseph H. Allen, (on account of their failure in business,) made the following report, as respects the latter, viz.t "To the Monthly Meeting. The Committee in the case of Samuel W. Hussey and Joseph H. Allen, report, that some of their number have had several interviews with Joseph H. Allen on the subject of their appointment; that he admits the charges made against him in the complaint to be correct, but is not disposed to condemn his conduct in the case." (Signed.)

Seth Russell
Weston Howland.
Job Eddy,
William Tallman.
Job Otis.

New Bedford, 4 mo. 23, 1829.

which being considered; and the Women's Meeting concurring therein, we deny the right of membership to Joseph H. Allen, and Seth Russell is named to inform him thereof.

Removl Certif. Russell, Jr. A removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Baltimore on behalf of Seth Russell, jun.r a minor, is approved.

Roches.r Meet.gs The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester, not being prepared to report at the present time, are continued, to report next month.

Complaint Wm Rotch Jr. The Overseers inform, that William Rotch Jun.r has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a Member —

1829. 5 mo: Seth Russell and Abraham Shearman, Jun^r are appointed to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

Complaint- James H. Wetherell.

The Overseers also inform, that James H. Wetherell has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not a Member — Perry Russell and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

Removal Certif. Lem^l. Gifford.

A removal Certificate from NinePartners' Monthly Meet^g on behalf of Lemuel Gifford, is accepted.

Preparative Meetings in Sixth Month to be anticipated one w^k

It is the conclusion of this Meeting, consistent with what has been our practice for several years past, that when our Preparative Meetings in the Sixth Month, would if held at the usual time occur in the week in which the Yearly Meeting is held, the time of holding them be anticipated one week.

1829. 6mo: At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 6mo: 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford; Job Eddy, John Howland, Jr. — Longplain; Seth C. Hiller, Jeremiah Wood, who are all present.

The queries were read, with answers to the 1st, 2d and 10th, and general answers adopted therefrom, were directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are; Francis Taber, Job Otis, Joseph Davis and George Almy.

Obadiah D. Hoxie & Eliza Ann Stevens proposal of marriage

Obadiah D. Hoxie and Eliza Ann Stevens, appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage — the consent of surviving parents was presented to the Meeting in writing — Cornelius Howland, 2^d and Daniel Davis are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Obadiah's clearness, to proceed therein, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Rochester Meet^{gs}

The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, produced a report, which was read, and the further consideration thereof referred to our next Monthly Meeting. The Meetings being continued for that time, as heretofore, under the care of the Committee now under appointment.

Complaint.— Lem^l. Gifford

The Overseers inform, that Lemuel Gifford has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not in profession with us — Abraham Davis and Amaziah Delano are appointed to visit him on that account; and report at a future Meeting.

The Committee in the case of Humphry Allen, made the following report:

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1829. 6mo. To the Monthly Meeting.

Dear Friends. — Agreeably to our appointment, we have

Humphry Allen denied. had several opportunities with Humphry Allen on account of his deviations, and find with regret that our labours have not had the desired effect; he is still in the practice of partaking, too freely of spirituous liquors, and neglecting the regular attendance of our religious Meetings; and believing that the further continuance of the case under our care will not be useful, we submit it to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting.

Barnd. Taber,
New Bedford, 5mo. 24, 1829. Joseph Davis.

which was read, and being weightily considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Daniel Butler and Edward Wing, are named to inform him hereof.

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Esther Lapham denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a communication from Scipio Monthly Meeting in the case of Esther Lampham, (late Allen,) and in denying her the right of membership. And the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Minute to Scipio Monthly Meeting.

Visit of Geo. & Ann Jones Eliza. Pitfield. Our beloved friends George and Ann Jones, from Great-Britain, and Elizabeth Pitfield, of Philadelphia, attended this Meeting, in which their company and Gospel labours have been truly acceptable.

N. Smith Jr. Our friend Newberry Smith Jr. who accompanies George and Ann Jones, has also been acceptably with us at this time.

Our friends John R. Davis, Deborah Otis, and Silvia Grinnell returned to this Meeting, the copies of minutes granted them in the fourth month last, with indorsements thereon from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in the 5th month, certifying that their company had been acceptable.

1829. 7mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d of 7mo. 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford, George Howland, Barnabas Taber — Longplain, Sands Wing, Arch. Dewolf — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended.

1829. 7mo.

"The Committee in the case of Elijah B. Allen, made the following report:

Elijah B. Allen denied.

"To the Monthly Meeting. The Committee in the case of Elijah B. Allen report; that agreeably to their appointment, they have had an interview with him; and find that he does not manifest any attachment to our Society, nor give any encouragement of confining himself exclusively to our Meetings, or of walking conformably to our Discipline.

Shadrach Davis.
New Bedford, 6mo. 21. 1829. — Job Otis."

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Shadrach Davis is named to inform him thereof.

O. D. Hoxie, & Eliza Ann Stevens marriage allowd.

Obadiah D. Hoxie and Eliza-Ann Stephens having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they appearing, from the report of the Committee appointed last month, to be clear of other engagements, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of our Society, and Abraham Shearman, Junr. and Abraham Davis, are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Mo. Meeting.

Susan Allen denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Susan Allen, who has joined with another religious Society. We also unite

Debh. Shearman removed

with the same Meeting, in approving a removal Certificate directed to Swanzey Mo. Meeting on behalf of Deborah Shearman.

Caleb Kempton denied.

The Committee appointed as by minute of 2d. month last, to visit Caleb Kempton, report, that they have had several opportunities with him, but do not find him disposed to make any acknowledgment for his deviation in marriage, and believe that further delay in reporting the case will not be useful —— which being considered, and the Women's Meeting concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Joseph Davis is named to inform him hereof when opportunity offers.

Proportn of Q. M.s Stock. $99.—

We are informed by a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting, that our proportion of Stock is ninety-nine Dollars — which our Treasurer is requested to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode Island,
from the 14th to the 18th inclusive, of 6th mo. 1829.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was read and considered, and being satisfactory to this Meeting, the Clerk is directed to forward copies thereof to our several Monthly Meetings,

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That in pursuance of their appointment they have paid attention to the superintendence of the Institution for the year past, and believe that its various concerns have been conducted in accordance with the design of Friends in its establishment; and meetings for worship have been regularly kept up.

The School has been conducted during the past year under the care of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendents, who still remain in that capacity, and Stephen and Hannah Gould have been usefully engaged as assistants in the cares of the Institution, for a few months past. Isaiah Jones, Moses Mitchell, Joseph Hoag; Abigail Pierce, Mary Almy, Lydia B. Allen, and Sarah Fry, have been engaged as Teachers, during most of the year. Several of these have left or are about leaving the School, and the Committee have made and are making arrangements to supply their places.

The greatest number of Scholars at any one time as reported to the Committee, was one hundred and eighty-four; the average number during the year, one hundred and thirty-five; and the good conduct and improvement manifested, has been generally satisfactory to the Committee.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendent have been received and audited, and the state of the Fund is such that the Committee think it safe to propose to the Yearly Meeting, that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at twelve dollars and a half per quarter, and that the several Monthly Meetings again have the privilege of sending one child through the year, or two children six months each, free of expense; and that when, from any peculiarity of circumstances, the Committees of Monthly-Meetings may consider it desirable to send a child for three months only, they have the liberty of doing it, provided that no more than two children be at the Institution at one time from the same Monthly Meeting, on this privilege. And being apprised that the two Monthly Meetings on Nantucket have been united into one Meeting, the Committee after considering the circumstance, propose that the united Meeting have the same privilege of sending children to the School, as has heretofore been enjoyed by the two Monthly Meetings separately.

Signed on behalf of the Committee, by

MOSES BROWN,
MARY B. ALLEN.

Providence, 5th mo. 8, 1829.

1829 7mo. — Rochester meetgs — The subject of the Meetings at Rochester coming again under consideration, it is our conclusion that they be held another month as heretofore, under the care of the Committee now under appointment.

Complaint. Peter Barney — The Overseers inform the Meeting that Peter Barney has during most of the time for several years past, neglected the regular attendance of our Meetings, on which account some labour was extended — and has recently married, in a manner contrary to our Discipline, with one who is also a Member. —— Job Eddy & William Tallman are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Complaint Shubael Taber. The following Complaint of the Overseers in the case of Shubael Taber, being read, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. We consider it necessary to inform the Meeting, that Shubael Taber has for several years past, partaken too freely of spirituous liquors, and has when at home, mostly, if not altogether, neglected the attendance of our Meetings, and we are informed, has failed to pay his just debts. — Circumstances have been such, that there has been but little extension of labour in the case; but we feel best satisfied to lay it before the Meeting. Signed on behalf of the Overseers.

by Abrm Shearman; Jr

New Bedford, 7mo 14. 1829. Perry Russell"

the consideration of the Complaint is referred to our next Mo Mg.

Report of Y. Mg School Comee. An extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee was read in this Meeting.

1829. 8mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 8mo 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford; John Howland & Job Eddy — Longplain; Peleg Howland. George Almy, who are all present.

Clerks appointed — The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed, being expired, Abraham Shearman, Jr. is appointed Clerk and William C. Taber, Assistant Clerk for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Chs Gifford & Sarah Davis proposal of marriage — Charles Gifford and Sarah Davis appeared in this Meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage.

1829. 8 mo The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Obadiah D. Hoxie's marriage, report that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Rochester Meetgs. to be held as heretofore, till 4 mo. 1830 — The subject of the Meetings at Rochester, coming again under consideration, it is concluded, in unison with a verbal report of the Committee, made at this time, & in concurrence with the Women's Meeting, to continue those Meetings as they have heretofore been held, till the time of our Monthly Meeting in the fourth month next — under the care of a Committee — to which service we appoint, Edward Wing, Cornelius Howland, William Tallman, Francis Taber, Joseph Davis, Job Eddy, John R. Davis, Abrm. Shearman, Jr. Obadiah Davis, Abrm. Davis, Shadrach Davis, Perry Russell, Barnabas Taber, George Almy.

Peter Barney denied — The Committee appointed, as by minute of last month, to visit Peter Barney, report, that they have had an opportunity with him; that he justifies his deviations, and manifests no desire to remain in membership with us — which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and William Tallman is named to inform him hereof.

Eliza Barney and Hannah Howland denied. — We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Eliza Barney (late Howland.) — We also unite with them in denying the same right to Hannah Howland.

Complaint. Caleb Kampton. 2d — The Overseers inform that Caleb Shepherd, 2d has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is not in profession with us — Job Eddy and George Howland are appointed to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

Shubael Taber denied. — The case of Shubael Taber, referred from last month, claiming the consideration of the Meeting, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Shadrach Davis is named to inform him hereof, when opportunity offers.

2 M.g Stock pd. The Treasurer informs, that he has paid our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock, to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Adjournmt. — This Meeting is adjourned to fifth day, the tenth of next Month, at the close of a Meeting for Worship — and it is our conclusion, that the particular Meetings which in usual course would be held in that week, be suspended, with the exception of that of New-Bedford.

Adjourned meeting 1829. 9mo 10

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting, held by adjournmt 10th of 9mo 1829.

The Representatives appointed to attend the Monthly Meeting are all present.

A Certificate on account of marriage from Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charles Gifford, is accepted.

Chs Gifford & Sarah Davis marriage allow'd.

Charles Gifford and Sarah Davis having, at the Mo. Meeting of which this is an adjournment, made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of our Society, and Abraham Shearman, Junr. and Shadrach Davis are appointed to have the oversight thereof, & report to our next Mo. Meeting.

London Epistle

The London general Epistle of last year was read at this time to our edification.

Remov^l Certif. Lydia Wood.

A removal Certificate, directed to New York Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Lydia Wood, wife of Willm Wood, is approved.

A meeting is appointed to be held at our Meeting-house at Longplain, tomorrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, for the solemnization of the marriage of Charles Gifford & Sarah Davis

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1829. 9mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 9mo 1829.

Representatives New Bedford, William Tallman, Benjamin Swift — Longplain, Daniel Davis, Shadrach Davis — who are all present.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Charles Gifford's marriage, report, that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

The queries were read, with answers to the 1st, 2d and 10th, and a Summary thereof, directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are, Timothy Akin, Caleb Shearman, & Cornelius Howland.

Wm Rotch Jr. denied

The Committee appointed, as by minute of the fifth month last, to visit William Rotch, Junr. on account of his departure from the order of our Society in marriage, report that they have attended to their appointment, and that he manifested no disposition to condemn his deviation therein — which being weightily considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Francis Taber is named to inform him thereof.

1829. 9 mo.

Phebe Howland denied.

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Phebe Howland, late Taber.

Committee to propose Overseers.

Cornelius Howland, Joseph Davis, Edward Wing, William Tallman, John R. Davis, and George Almy, are appointed to consider of, and propose to our next Monthly Meeting, the names of such Friends as they may deem suitable to be appointed as Overseers of the Monthly Meeting.

Abraham Davis requests a Certificate to Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting, on account of marriage. — Peleg Howland and Shadrach Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Visit of John Wilbur & Andw. Nichols

The company and services of our esteemed friends John Wilbur and Andrew Nichols, of South-Kingstown Monthly Meeting, have been acceptable to us at the present time.

1829. 10 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 10 mo. 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford, Weston Howland, Reuben Russell — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller & Thomas Grover — who are all present.

J. Payson and Mary Handy

James Payson & Mary Handy appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage; and are referred to our next monthly meeting for an answer.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

Minutes of Yearly Mg.

Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, embracing the names of Correspondents, appointed in several of the other Yearly Meetings for receiving & forwarding removal and other Certificates, was received and read at this time, [a printed copy of which is annexed.]

The following extract from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting embracing an additional article of Discipline, was also received and read. [See printed copy.] ——— and Abraham Shearman, junr. George Almy, and Daniel Davis are named to have the same inserted in the Books of Discipline belonging to this Monthly Meeting, & report when accomplished.

Overseers.

The Committee appointed last month to propose Overseers of this Monthly Meeting, made a report — & the subject is referred under their care for another month.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island, from the 14th to the 18th inclusive, of the 6th month, 1829.

The Committee on the state of Society, to which was referred Minutes of the Yearly Meetings of London, New-York, Baltimore, Ohio, and Indiana, received at this time, have given attention to the subject, and considered it in connection with the relation in which we stand towards the other Yearly Meetings of Friends in this country, and propose the adoption of the following Minutes, which being read and considered, are united with, and copies thereof directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings; and also to be transmitted to the several Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

THIS Meeting having last year been introduced into much exercise, on account of the difficulties which had then been manifested in our religious Society, in various sections of this country, and which had prevailed till separation had been the sorrowful result, deemed it an indispensable duty to meet the exigencies of the occasion, by declaring our unity with those Meetings that had continued steadfast in their adherence to the ancient order, discipline, and faith of the Society, and our disunity with those who had receded therefrom.

We feel it to be our duty, again to advert to this painful subject, and to state to our subordinate Meetings, that not only within the limits of the Yearly Meetings of Pennsylvania and New-York, (to which reference was had in our minute of last year,) but also within those of Baltimore, Ohio and Indiana, separate bodies exist, under the name of Yearly Meetings of Friends, with Quarterly, Monthly, and other Meetings in connection with them, which are not in fellowship with us as a religious community.

In consequence of the embarassments and mistakes to which Friends are exposed by the separatists thus continuing to take the name and character of Friends, the Yearly Meetings of New-York, Ohio, and Indiana, in acknowledged unity with us, have been induced to furnish the names of Correspondents appointed by them in their several Quarterly Meetings, one or more of whom is to sign, (in addition to the usual mode of signing,) all removal or other certificates or documents, issued, which are to go beyond the limits of their respective Quarterly Meetings.—And in order that certificates may duly reach the meetings to which they are directed, it is recommended by them, that they be forwarded to one of those Friends.

BALTIMORE YEARLY MEETING has directed, that to the names of all the Meetings of every description, within the compass of their Yearly Meeting, the following words be added: "*In unity with the ancient Yearly Meetings of Friends;*" and have appointed ISAAC BROOKS, JAMES GILLINGHAM, and NICHOLAS POPPLEIN, residing in the city of Baltimore, a Committee, one of whom is to sign, in addition to the usual signature of the Clerk, all Minutes or Certificates issued by Monthly or Quarterly Meetings for any of their Ministers or Members.

CORRESPONDENTS OF NEW-YORK YEARLY MEETING.

		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
	WESTBURY QUARTERLY MEETING.	
New-York Monthly Meeting,	William F. Mott,	*New York.*
Flushing "	Samuel Parsons,	*Flushing, Queens County, N. Y.*
Westbury & Jerico "	Thomas Willis,	*Jerico, do. do.*
	PURCHASE QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Purchase Monthly Meeting,	Richard Mott,	*Mamaroneck, Westchester County, N. Y.*
Amawalk "	Stephen Brown,	*Peekskill, do. do.*
Shapaqua "	Elihu Griffen,	*Mount Pleasant, do. do.*
	NINE PARTNERS QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Nine Partners Monthly Meeting,	Isaac Thorne,	*Washington, Duchess County, N. Y.*
Oblong "	William Leach,	*Sherman, Fairfield do. Conn.*
Oswego "	Enoch Dorland,	*Arthursburg, Duchess do. N. Y.*
	EASTON QUARTERLY MEETING.	
East Hoosack Monthly Meeting,	John Upton,	*North Adams, Berkshire County, Mass.*
Danby "	Harris Otis,	*Danby, Rutland do. Vermont.*
	STANFORD QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Creek Monthly Meeting,	Reuben Howes,	*Poughkeepsie, Duchess County, N. Y.*
Stanford "	John F. Hull,	*Stanfordville, do. do.*
Hudson "	Isaac Lyons,	*Federal Store, Columbia do. do.*
	FERRISBURGH QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting,	John Knowles,	*Monkton, Addison County, Vermont.*
Starksborough "	Amos Battey,	*Starksborough, do. do.*
Peru "	David Harkness,	*Keeseville, Essex do. N. Y.*
	CANADA HALF YEAR'S MEETING.	
Westlake Monthly Meeting,	Gilbert Dorland,	*Hallowell, Prince Edward County, Upper Canada.*
Leeds and Adolphus "	John Ferris,	*Kingston, do.*
Yonge Street "	Thomas Linville,	*New Market, do.*
Pelham "	Joseph King,	*Thorold, Deep Cut, do.*
Norwich "	Frederic Stover,	*Burford, Oxford County, do.*
	FARMINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Collins Monthly Meeting,	John Strang,	*Lodi, Cataragus County, New York.*
Hamburgh "	James Sherman,	*East Hamburgh, Erie County, do.*
Hartland "	Nathan Comstock,	*Lockport, Niagara do. do.*
Farmington "	Isaac Hathaway,	*New Salem, Ontario do. do.*
Rochester "	Mead Atwater,	*Rochester, Monroe do. do.*
	SARATOGA QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Queensbury Monthly Meeting,	James Mott,	*Clarksboro, Saratoga do. do.*
Milton "	James Allen,	*Greenfield, do. do. do.*
Galway "	Wing Chace,	*Providence, do. do. do.*
Le Roy "	Daniel Child,	*LeRoy, Jefferson do. do.*
Low Ville "	Ebenezer Hill,	*Lowville, Lewis do. do.*
Saratoga "	Paul Kirby,	*Halfmoon, Sarotoga, do. do.*
	DUANESBURGH QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Coeyman's Monthly Meeting,	Samuel T. Powell,	*Coxsackie, Green do. do.*
Rensellaerville "	Peter Stover,	*Rensellaerville, Albany do. do.*
Duanesburgh "	Jonathan Soule,	*Duanesburgh,Schenectady do. do.*
Butternnts "	Edward Cornell,	*Butternuts, Otsego do. do.*
Bridgewater "	Obadiah Williams,	*Bridgewater, Oneida do. do.*
	CORNWALL QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Cornwall Monthly Meeting,	Jabez Greene,	*Canterbury, do. do.*
Marlborough "	Daniel Birdsall,	*Newburgh, do. do. do.*
Plains "	Isaiah Tilson,	*Hurley, Ulster do. do.*
	SCIPIO QUARTERLY MEETING.	
Deruyter Monthly Meeting,	James Derbyshire,	*Deruyter, Madison do. do.*
Scipio "	Humphrey Howland,	*Aurora, Cayuga do. do.*
Hector "	WilliamCarman,	*Trumansburgh, Tompkins do. do.*

CORRESPONDENTS OF OHIO YEARLY MEETING.

Redstone Quarter	George Smith,	*East Bethlehem,*	*Washington*	*County,*	*Penn.*
	David Cattle,	*Brownsville,*	*Fayette*	*do.*	*do.*
	Joshua Cope,	*Providence,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
Short Creek Quarter	Isaac Parker,	*Mountpleasant,*	*Jefferson*	*County,*	*Ohio.*
	Benj. W. Ladd,	*Smithfield,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	Joseph Williams,	*Flushing,*	*Belmont*	*do.*	*do.*
Salem Quarter	William Heald,	*Fairfield,*	*Columbiana*	*do.*	*do.*
	John Street,	*Salem,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	Samuel Woolman,	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	Demsy Johnson,	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
Still Water Quarter	William Green,	*Barnsville,*	*Belmont*	*County,*	*do.*
	Joseph Edgerton,	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	Samuel Embree,	*M'Connelsville,*	*Morgan*	*do.*	*do.*
New Garden Quarter	John Johnson,	*New Garden,*	*Columbiana*	*do.*	*do.*
	Levi Miller,	*Hanover,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	David Hole,	*Fairfield,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*

CORRESPONDENTS OF INDIANA YEARLY MEETING.

Miami Quarter	Robert Furnace,	*Waynesville,*	*Warren*	*County,*	*Ohio.*
	John Garretson,	*Springborough,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	William Benedict,	*Bennington,*	*Delaware*	*do.*	*do.*
	John Davis,	*Cincinnati,*			*do.*
	Henry Pickerel,	*Zanesfield,*	*Logan*	*do.*	*do.*
	Elijah Anderson,	*Charleston,*	*Clark*	*do.*	*do.*
West Branch Quarter	Samuel Teague, Samuel Jay, Samuel Jones,	*Union,*	*Miami*	*do.*	*do.*
Fairfield Quarter	Richard Barrett,	*Hillsborough,*	*Highland*	*do.*	*do.*
	Gershom Perdue,	*Leesburgh,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	James Hadley,	*Wilmington,*	*Clinton*	*do.*	*do.*
White-Water Quarter	Stephen Macy,	*Richmond,*	*Wayne*	*County,*	*Indiana.*
	Elijah Coffin,	*Milton,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	John Marshall,	*Economy,*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
Blue River Quarter	Nathaniel Newlin,	*Rockville,*	*Park*	*do.*	*do.*
	Joel Dixon,	*Mooresville,*	*Morgan*	*do.*	*do.*
	Henry Wilson,	*Salem,*	*Washington*	*do.*	*do.*
	Richard Hayworth,	*Newport,*	*Vermillion*	*do.*	*do.*
New Garden Quarter	Francis Thomas,	*New Garden,*	*Wayne*	*do.*	*do.*
	Jonathan Johnson,	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*	*do.*
	Benjamin Cox,	*Winchester,*	*Randolph*	*do.*	*do.*
Westfield Quarter	Thomas Talbert,	*Jacksonburgh,*	*Butler*	*do.*	*do.*
	Joseph Stubbs,	*Newcome,*	*Preble*	*do.*	*do.*
	William Talbert,	*Liberty,*	*Union*	*do.*	*do.*
Centre Quarter	Caleb Harvey, Joseph Doan, jr. David Bailey,	*Wilmington,*	*Clinton*	*do.*	*do.*

The following Minute of the Yearly Meeting of London, held in the 5th month, 1828, accompanied its Epistle to this Meeting:

"This Meeting has directed that all Certificates of removals, issued by our Monthly Meetings to Friends on the continent of America, be forwarded by the Meeting which issues them, to their correspondents in London, in order to their being by them transmitted to America; and this Meeting suggests, to the several Yearly Meetings of Friends in America, the propriety of their directing that certificates, on behalf of Friends removing to within the compass of this Yearly Meeting, be forwarded to the care of the correspondents in or near London, who are appointed by this Meeting for the respective Yearly Meetings on the American continent."

And it is our conclusion, that all Certificates and other documents issued by our subordinate Meetings, and addressed to the Meetings of Friends in Great Britain and Ireland, be transmitted by the Meetings issuing them, to one of the correspondents of this Yearly Meeting, (who are MOSES BROWN, WILLIAM ALMY, ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. and STEPHEN GOULD,) to be forwarded by them to the correspondents of the Yearly Meetings of London and Ireland.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting aforesaid,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, JR. *Clerk.*

MINUTE

Of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode Island from the 14th to the 18th inclusive, of 6 mo. 1829.

The Committee on the state of Society proposed the adoption of the following Minute, which claimed the solid consideration of this Meeting, and being united with by this and the Women's Meeting, is directed to be forwarded to all our subordinate Meetings, and to be inserted in the Books of Discipline in their possession.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,
ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. *Clerk.*
RUTH RODMAN, *Clerk.*

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The importance of steadfastly maintaining our ancient principles, respecting the doctrines of the Gospel, coming renewedly under our consideration, we earnestly recommend and enjoin upon Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, and upon all faithful Friends, to be watchful over our Members, as it regards the profession of their faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, both as to his outward coming in the flesh, wherein he tasted death for every man, and was the propitiatory sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world, suffering the just for the unjust, that we might be brought unto God through Him;—and to his Spiritual appearance in the heart, for "unto them that look for him, shall he appear the second time, without sin, unto salvation." And if in any instance there should be manifested any deviation from our Christian principles in these respects, that they proceed to labour with such in the spirit of meekness and wisdom, endeavouring to bring them to a sense of their departure from our acknowledged principles, that if possible they may be restored to soundness of faith. And if there should be any who should persist in their errors, notwithstanding such labour in brotherly love, that our testimony be maintained by testifying against such.

829 10mo

The Committee appointed by minute of 8th mo last year, to visit Job Baker, made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"The Committee appointed to consider the case of Job Baker, and to visit him on account of his failure to pay his just debts, report that they have attended to their appointment.— There appears to have been great neglect on his part in a timely inspection and disclosure of his circumstances; and an improper continuance of his business, by contracting new debts, and obtaining indorsements on his paper, after the ability to meet his engagements must have become doubtful; by which the reputation of the Society has suffered.— He appears to be in some degree sensible of this; but we have not seen that Friends could consistently accept such acknowledgment as he could now offer— and having had the case long under our care, we think it best to submit it to the consideration of the Meeting.

Job Baker denied

N. Bedford, 10mo 19, 1829. } Cornelius Howland.
Job Eddy,
Abm Shearman Jr
Seth Russell."

which being deliberately considered, we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Job Eddy is named to inform him thereof.

ah Gifford (late Davis) removed.

We concur with the Women's Meeting in approving a removal Certificate directed to Scipio Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Sarah Gifford, wife of Charles Gifford.

Paul Wing.

Being informed by Uxbridge monthly Meeting, that Paul Wing, who was formerly disowned by this Mo. Meeting, has requested to become a member of our Society, and that they are about to receive him, if there should be no objection with us— we appoint Job Eddy & George Almy to take the necessary care in the case, and if they find nothing to obstruct, to prepare & present to our next Mo. Meeting, a suitable minute to be forwarded to that of Uxbridge.

Abm Davis

A certificate on account of marriage, directed to R. Island Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Abraham Davis, is approved.

W. Rotch Jr & P. Barney informd

The Friends named for that purpose, report, that William Rotch, Junr. & Peter Barney have been informed of the minutes of denial made in their respective cases.

1829. 11mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 11mo. 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford: Barnabas Taber; Job Eddy — Longplain: Abeli Dewolf. Sands Wing — who are all present, except Job Eddy, whose absence, we are informed, is occasioned by indisposition in his family.

The queries were read, with answers to the 1st, 2d. & 10th, and a Summary thereof directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee, appointed as by minute of the 12th month last, to visit Humphry Davis, made the following report:

Humphry Davis denied. viz. "The Committee in the case of Humphry Davis "inform, that they have attended to their appointment, and are "sorry to say that they find little or no disposition in him to "take the advice of his Friends, but rather inclines to go from us. "As there is no encouragement for us to labour further with "him in the present state of his mind, we submit it to the meeting to dispose of as they in wisdom may think best. —

Cornelius Howland
To the Monthly Meeting
to be held 26 of 11mo. 1829. Perry Russell,
Job Eddy &c

which being weightily considered, we do, in the persuasion that Friends have fully discharged their duty towards him, & having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; — and Joseph Davis & Perry Russell are desired to seek a solid opportunity with him, and inform him of this conclusion of the Meeting.

A certificate from Smithfield Mo. Meeting on behalf of James Payson, on account of marriage, is accepted.

J. Payson & M Handy marriage allowed. James Payson & Mary Handy having in our last Mo. Meetg. made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and nothing appearing on inquiry, to obstruct their proceeding therein, they are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of Society, and John R. Davis & Edward Wing are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Mo. Meeting. A Meeting is appointed to be held at our Meeting-house at Longplain, tomorrow afternoon at one o'clock, for the solemnization of the aforesaid marriage.

Overseers. The subject of the appointment of Overseers, is referred to our next Monthly Meeting, under the care of the Committee appointed in the ninth month.

minute for Paul Wing. The Committee appointed last month, on the communication from Uxbridge Mo. Meeting respecting Paul Wing, presented the following essay of a minute to be forwarded to that Mo. Meeting,

1829. 11 mo which is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk viz

"To Uxbridge Mo: Meeting, —— Dear Friends, We have given attention to your communication in the case of Paul Wing, and on inquiry find no objection to his being received as a member of your Meeting;" Signed. &c

Reps to Q. Mg George Howland, Abraham Davis and Amariah Delano are appointed our Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting;

A certificate to Shrewsbury Monthly Meeting is requested for Samuel H. Hartshorne — Cornelius Howland & Elisha Thornton are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report to our next Monthly Meeting;

J. Winslow informd Wm C Taber reports, that he has informed Jeremiah Winslow of the minute of denial made in his case.

1829. 12 mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 12 mo, 1829.

Representatives — New Bedford, Elisha Thornton, Joseph Davis — Longplain, Shadrach Davis, Abraham Davis — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of James Payson's marriage, report, that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Humphy Davis & Job Baker informd The Friends named to inform Humphry Davis of the minute of denial made in his case, report that they have attended to their appointment. The friend named to inform Job Baker of his denial, reports his attention to that service.

Complaint. Gidn Allen. The following complaint from the Overseers, respecting, Gideon Allen, being read, viz:

"It is with regret that the Overseers consider themselves under the necessity of informing the Meeting, that Gideon Allen has so far given countenance to amusements inconsistent with our religious profession, as to permit two of his children to attend a School for Dancing.— Care was early extended: and opportunities have since been had with him on the subject, in which we have endeavoured to discharge our duty towards him. — And after deliberately weighing the circumstances of the case, we are led to the conclusion, that it is best for us to lay it before the Meeting.

New Bedford, 12 mo 14. 1829. Francis Taber Perry Russell
Barnd Taber Abrm Shearman Jr

To the Monthly Meeting."

Job Eddy and Abraham Davis are appointed to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

1829. 12mo

Complaint- Abrm Howland

The Overseers inform, that Abraham Howland has married in a manner inconsistent with our profession, with one who is also a Member — Perry Russell and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on that acct & report at a future Meeting.

Minute for S.H. Hartshorne

The Committee appointed last month, in the case of Samuel H. Hartshorne, propose that the following indorsement be made on the Certificate which was received on his behalf, and forwarded to Shrewsbury Monthly Meeting. — which is approved.-

"To the Monthly Meeting of Shrewsbury, N. Jersey

"Dear Friends, Samuel H. Hartshorne, who resided here for a time, when a Minor, and produced the within Certificate from your Meeting, returned, sometime past to reside in New-Jersey — A few lines being now requested on his behalf, we hereby certify that he retained his right of membership in our religious Society while with us." Signed, &c.

Leml Gifford denied.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 6th mo. last, to visit Lemuel Gifford, made the following report.

"We the Committee appointed to visit Lemuel Gifford, in consequence of his marriage out of our Society, report that we have had several opportunities with him, and although he manifested some attachment to Friends, we have not found him, as we have apprehended, in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation — which we submit to the Meeting

11 mo. 26. 1829.

Amaziah Delano.
Abraham Davis."

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Amaziah Delano is named to inform him hereof.

Overseers of Mo. Meeting appointed.

Francis Taber, Barnabas Taber, Perry Russell, Abraham Shearman, Junr. Abraham Davis, Arele Dewolf, and Zeruiah Wood, being proposed by the Committee named in the 9th month, are appointed Overseers of this Monthly Meeting for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Article of Discipline, inserted.

The Committee appointed in the 10th mo. to have an additional article of Discipline, as directed by the Yearly Meeting, inserted in the Books belonging to this Meeting, report that they have attended to that service, and caused the insertion to be made in such Books as have come within their knowledge.

Remov. Certif. Anna Austin.

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in accepting a Removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Anna Austin

Subject of Burial Grnds

Cornelius Howland, Abrm Shearman, Jr. Joseph Davis, Shadrach Davis and Obadiah Davis are appointed to take into consideration a Report made by the Committee having the oversight of Funerals and the care of burial Grounds, and report thereon by Minute or otherwise.

1830 1mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 1mo 1830.
Representatives — New Bedford, William Tallman, John Howland Jr — Longplain: Nicholas Davis, Seth C. Hiller, — who are all present.

Complaint Silas Swift

The Overseers, presented the following complaint respecting Silas Swift, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have to inform the Meeting, that Silas Swift has for a considerable time past neglected the attendance of our own for the Meetings of another religious Society; and with which he has recently become united in membership. — Labour was extended in the case, and such advice given as was thought applicable; but he appeared fixed in the choice he had made.

On behalf, of the Overseers. Perry Russell
New Bedford, 1mo 20, 1830. Francis Taber."

which being read, we appoint Joseph Davis & Seth Russell to visit him on that account, extend such further labour in the case as way may open for, and, report at a future meeting.

Complaint. Caleb Howland

The Overseers inform, that Caleb Howland has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a member — Reuben Russell and Job Eddy are appointed to visit him on that account, and, report at a future Meeting.

Complaint. Wm R. Allen

The following complaint from the Overseers respecting William R. Allen was also received; viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — Dear Friends.
William R. Allen has for some time past almost wholly neglected the attendance of our Meetings for worship & discipline, and has, so far united with the Methodist Society as to become a member of their class Meeting, and has recently attended a general muster as a Spectator.

Areli Dewolf
1mo 20, 1830. Abraham Davis.

which being, read; we appoint Job Eddy; Job Otis, & Francis Taber to extend such further labour in the case as way may open for; and, report at a future Meeting.

Remov.l Certif. Mary Payson

We unite with the Womens Meeting, in approving a removal Certificate directed, to Smithfield, Monthly Meeting on behalf, of Mary Payson, wife of James Payson.

Remov.l Certif. lvia Delano

We also unite with them in approving a removal Certificate directed to Nantucket, Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sylvia Delano.

se of Gid.n Allen

The Committee appointed, as by minute of our last Monthly Meeting, to visit Gideon Allen, made a report, which is referred for further consideration, to our next Mo. Meeting, and

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1830. 1 mo: the case in the mean time continued under the care of the Committee to extend further labour therein, should way open in their own minds for it.

Overs:rs of Poor ask advice — A communication being received from the Overseers of the Poor, in which they ask the advice of this Meeting, in respect to a case now before them, we appoint Job Eddy, George Howland, John Howland Junr. & George Almy, to consider the case, and render such advice & assistance therein as they may be enabled to afford.

Burial Grounds. Report of Committee. — The Committee appointed last month to consider the Report made by the Committee having the care of Burial Grounds, report that they have given attention to the subject, and propose the adoption of the following Minutes, vizt

That it is the sense of this Meeting, that said Committee use their best endeavours to prevent, for the future, the placing of Stones or monuments for distinction, in our burial Grounds; and that when application is made to them by persons who are not members of our religious Society, for permission to inter their deceased relatives or friends in said Grounds, the Committee take care suitably to explain to them, that if the request is granted, we cannot, consistently with our Discipline, and the plainness & simplicity of our profession, consent that any Stones or monuments be placed there — and to insure a more careful attention to this duty, as it respects the interment of the deceased, who were not members of our Society, the Committee are requested to give written permits for such interments, signed by two at least of their number. —

And in respect to monuments already erected in said Grounds, the Committee now about to be appointed are requested to endeavour in a tender & feeling manner, to prevail on those who have placed them there, & particularly Friends, to remove them; and report at the end of the time for which they are appointed.

Which Minutes being considered, are adopted as the sense of this Meeting.

The Committee appointed last month, on the above subject, are requested to propose to our next Mo. Meeting the names of such Friends as they consider suitable to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds.

1830. 2d Mo: At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 2d mo: 1830.

Representatives — New Bedford, Joseph Davis, Wing Russell — Longplain, Charles Kempton, Abiel Dowolf; — who are all present.

To the monthly meeting:

The committee appointed some time since to have the care of funerals and of the burying ground report that they have endeavoured to give the needful attention to the objects of their appointment; and that pursuant to their apprehension of the sense of the meeting upon the subject, they have endeavoured to prevent any further placing of grave-stones "for distinction" in the yard, by stipulating, when requests have been made for liberty to inter those who are not members, that no such stones should be placed there: still owing to the present state of the yard, and the want of more specific directions in the case, the committee have found great embarrassments in the discharge of their trust, and would now propose that a minute should be made expressive of the sense of the meeting in the case for the direction of their conduct in future.

Signed

Job Otis

Barnt. Taber.
Shadrach Davis
Joseph L Davis
William Tallman
Zeruiah Wood
Reuben Russell
[illegible] Wing
Areli DeWolf
Abraham Davis.

9mo. 7th
1829

Report
of Committee to have
the oversight of
Funerals, &c.

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1830. 2mo Edward Wing requests a removal Certificate for

Edwd Wing requests Remov Certif. himself and Wife to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, Barnabas Taber and Job Eddy are appointed to unite with a Committee of the Women's Meeting in extending the necessary care in the case & report at a future Meeting;

Complaint. Jno R. Thornton The Overseers presented the following complaint respecting John R. Thornton, vizt

"To the Monthly Meeting,

"We have to inform, that John R. Thornton has for a considerable time past, much neglected the attendance of our own, and has been frequent in the attendance of the Meetings of another Society; and is also in the practice of attending places of amusement inconsistent with our religious profession. He has been visited on these accounts; and not finding encouragement for further labour from us, we consider it our duty to lay the case before the Meeting.

On behalf of the Overseers, Abm Shearman Jr
New Bedford, 2mo 17, 1830. Perry Russell."

... which being read, we appoint Barnabas Taber an John R. Davis to visit him on these accounts and report at a future Meeting,

Complaint. William Brayton The Overseers also inform, that William Brayton has married, contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not in profession with us— William Howland and Abraham Barker are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting,

Alice H. Swain denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Alice H. Swain.

The case of Gideon Allen, referred from last month coming again under consideration, the following report of the Committee was read, vizt

"To the Monthly Meeting

Gidn Allen denied. "The Committee in the case of Gideon Allen report, that they have had an opportunity with him, and, although he appears friendly towards our Society, he does not appear to be in a situation of mind to condemn his conduct, in a way that we think the Truth required for the preservation of our testimony Job Eddy

New Bedford, 1mo 28, 1830. Abraham Davis.

and the subject being deliberately considered it was concluded to deny him the right of membership with which the Women concur, and Benjamin Swift is named to inform him hereof,

1830. 2mo.

Committee to have care of Burial Grds appd.

The following Friends being proposed by the Committee to whom that subject was referred last month, viz. — Barnabas Taber, William Tallman, Joseph Davis, — Reuben Russell Job Eddy, George W. Baker, Joseph Taber, — Abraham Davis, Thomas H. Howland, — Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis Abel Dewolf Seth C. Hiller, — are appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds for the year ensuing.

Lem. Gifford informed

The Friend appointed to that service reports, that Lemuel Gifford has been informed of the minute of denial made in his case.

Susan Howld's visit to Greenwich &c. approved

Our friend Susan Howland weightily opened in this Meeting a concern that had for a considerable time past rested on her mind to attend the Monthly Meeting of Greenwich and to pay a religious visit to the families of Friends within its limits; and also should way open for it, to visit some of the families of Friends within the limits of Providence Monthly Meeting; which concern is feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect therein as Truth may open the way; being a Minister in unity with us. And the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting in furnishing her with a Minute embracing the substance of this.

Joseph Davis proposes to accompy Susan Howld

Our friend Joseph Davis informed this Meeting that he felt a willingness to accompany our friend Susan Howland in her proposed visit, as expressed in the above minute. He is left at liberty to pursue the prospect, being a Member in unity with us. — And the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute.

Betsey ~~Aye~~ Allen. denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Betsey Allen.

Certif. recd for Abigail Davis.

A removal Certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abigail Davis, wife of Abraham Davis, is accepted, in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

1830. 3mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 25th of 3mo 1830.

— Representatives New Bedford, Seth Russell, George W. Baker Longplain, Daniel Davis, Shadrach Davis — who are all present.

1830. 3mo: The Queries were read with answers, from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

Repts to Q. Mg. by our Representatives who are Abraham Davis Caleb Shearman & Job Eddy.

Complaint. Saml Davis. The following complaint from the Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting, respecting Samuel Davis, viz.

"This may inform that Samuel Davis has for a number of years neglected the attendance of our Meetings, for which labour has been extended without the desired effect."

Abraham Davis
3mo 17. 1830 Abel DeWolf"

being read, we appoint Sands Wing and Joseph Davis to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

Complaint agst and denial of O. D. Hoxie. The following Complaint respecting Obadiah D. Hoxie was also received from the Overseers of Lplain preparative Meeting, viz. "We believe it to be our duty to inform that such evidence exists of Obadiah D. Hoxie's incontinence before marriage, that to clear Society from the reproach, we cannot do less than to lay the case before the Meeting.

Abel DeWolf,
3mo 17. 1830 Zeriah Wood"

which being read, and the circumstances of the case deliberately considered, it is the judgment of the Meeting, that it is necessary for the clearing of the Truth, to deny him the right of membership; with which the Womens Meeting unites; and Sands Wing, and Joseph Davis are requested to seek a solid opportunity with him, and inform him hereof.

Wm R. Allen denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of the 1st mo last, to visit William R. Allen, made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. The Committee in the case of William R. Allen report, that they have attended to their appointment and find that he is not disposed to condemn his outgoings, but to justify himself in them; and they are united in believing that they can be of no further service in the case, which they submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

Job Eddy,
New Bedford, Francis Taber
3mo 21. 1830 Job Otis."

which being considered, we do with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting deny him the right of membership and Shadrach Davis is named to inform him hereof.

tif for Albert Gifford recd. A removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Albert Gifford is accepted.

1830. 3mo

Silas Swift denied

The Committee appointed as by minute of the 1st mo. last to visit Silas Swift, made the following report, viz.t

"To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Silas Swift on account of his having neglected our own and attended the Meetings of another religious Society, to which he has joined himself, and appears to be fixed in the choice he has made. We are therefore united in believing that further labour on our part will not be availing, which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

Seth Russell

New Bedford, 3mo 25. 1830. Joseph Davis."

which being considered and the Women concurring, we deny him the right of membership and Seth Russell is named to inform him thereof.

Hetty Howland (late Russell) denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Hetty Howland late Russell.

Gidn Allen inform.d

The Friend appointed to that service, reports that he informed Gideon Allen of the minute of denial made in his case.

Thos Grover reqts remova.l Certif.

Thomas Grover having removed to reside within the limits of Smithfield Monthly Meeting and requested our Certificate. George Almy and [illegible] DeWolf are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future Meeting.

E. Ann Hoxie denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Eliza Ann Hoxie.

1830. 4mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 22d of 4mo 1830.

Representatives — New Bedford, Wm Sampson, Wm Tallman — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Amaziah [illegible] — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

Complaint Jos. R. Howland.

The following complaint from the Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting respecting Joseph R. Howland, being read; viz.t

"To the Monthly Meeting. We consider it necessary to inform the Meeting, that Joseph R. Howland has for a considerable time past been in the habit of partaking too freely of spirituous liquors, and has much neglected the attendance of our Meetings — and, that labour has been extended in the case without leading to a satisfactory result. On behalf of the Overseers, Francis Taber

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we appoint Job Eddy and Benjamin Swift to visit him on that account and report at a future Meeting.

Jno R. Thornton denied

The Committee appointed as by minute of 3d mo last to visit John R Thornton made the following report viz

To the Monthly Meeting. Agreeable to appointment we have visited John R. Thornton but did not find him in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction for the deviations from our discipline which formed the subject of complaint against him, and as he expressed a decided choice to attend the meetings of another religious denomination in preference to our own we conclude that further labour from us will be unavailing, which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Jno A. Davis

4 mo 22 d. 1830 Barnd Taber

which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and William Tallman is named to inform him thereof.

Rochester Mgs Report of Committee

The Committee appointed in the 8th month last to visit the Meetings at Rochester, made the following report viz! "That they have given attention to their appointment by visiting those Meetings from time to time as way has opened for it, and after deliberately considering the subject, are best satisfied to propose to the Mo. Meeting, that they be continued, to be held as heretofore, under the care of a Committee." Signed On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford by Abm Shearman Jr

4 mo 21. 1830. Mary Howland

which being duly considered, it is our conclusion that those Meetings be continued, as they have heretofore been held, under the care of the Committee now under appointment, with the exception of Em.° Wing who has removed, who are requested to report in the 10th mo. next. —— with which the Womens Meeting concurs.

Plain Mgs

It is concluded that the Meetings at Longplain on the first day of the week, be held as at present till the commencement of the sixth month.

Holy Scriptures inquiry as to any deficiency of

The following minute of the Meeting for Sufferings, respecting the supplying of the families of Friends with the Scriptures, should any be found deficient," being read, we appoint Wm C Taber, Archd Tollett, Daniel Davis, Seth C. Hiller, Job Otis, Aaron Kempton, & Wm Thompson to make the inquiry therein recommended, and report at a future Meeting.

1830. 4 mo

[Minute referred to on preceding page.]

"A concern being manifested in this Meeting, that all the families of Friends may be in the possession of the Holy Scriptures, it is recommended to our Quarterly & Monthly Meetings to make inquiry throughout their respective Meetings, whether any deficiences exist in this respect, and report to this Meeting the result of such inquiries, that steps may be taken to supply such families as are deficient, if any such be found; and the Clerk is directed to furnish each Quarterly Meeting with a copy of this Minute." Extracted from the Minutes of a Meeting for Sufferings held by adjournment, at Providence, 16th of 2d mo. 1830. Thomas Howland, Clk."

Min. of Meetg for Sufferings, relative to provisn for Y. M. Q

The following Minute of the Meeting for Sufferings was also received and read:

"This Meeting having taken into consideration the subject of making provision for the accommodation of the approaching Yearly Meeting, are of opinion, that as small expense should be incurred as the nature of the case will admit of; they therefore recommend that such Friends as are of ability, who attend the Yearly Meeting, should bear their own expenses. But that those who may not consider themselves able so to do, who reside North of a line from Boston, running West to Connecticut River, be at liberty to avail themselves of such provision as may be made by this Meeting; and herein we include Friends of the Island of Nantucket, and Representatives from all the Quarterly Meetings.— The Clerk is directed to furnish Rhode Island, Sandwich and Smithfield Quarterly Meetings with copies of this Minute.— Extracted from the Minutes of a Meeting for Sufferings, held at Providence, by adjournment, 16th of 2d mo. 1830.

Thomas Howland, Clerk."

Removal Certif. for Thos Grover approvd

A removal Certificate on behalf of Thomas Grover, directed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, is approved.

O. D. Hoxie informd

The Friends appointed to inform Obadiah D. Hoxie of the minute of denial in his case, report their attention to that service.

Wm R. Allen informd

The friend named to inform William R. Allen of his denial, reports his attention thereto.

Removl Certif. for E. Wing & Wife approvd

A removal Certificate on behalf of Edward Wing and Wife, directed to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, is approved.

1830. 4 mo.
Certif for
W. R. Rodman
& family
returned.

A removal Certificate addressed to this Meeting by the Monthly Meeting of Frankford in Pennsylvania, on behalf of William R. Rodman and family was laid before us in the 2d month. As they have not attended our Meetings since they have resided here, and give no encouragement of attending them it is our conclusion to return the Certificate to Frankford Monthly Meeting, with a copy of this Minute which the Clerk is directed to forward.

1830. 5 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 27th of 5 mo. 1830.

Representatives — New Bedford, Edmund Gardner, Barnd. Taber — Longplain, Josiah Wood, Sands Wing, who are all present.

Silas Swift
informed

The Friend named to inform Silas Swift of the minute of denial made in his case, reports his attention to that service.

L.plain Mtg
but one on
first day of
the week.

It is purposed by Longplain Preparative Meeting, that but one Meeting be held at Longplain on the first day of the week; which, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, is united with — said Meeting to commence at the 11th hour in the morning.

Certif for
Barnd. Delano
returned by
him.

A removal Certificate directed in the first mo. 1829, to Leeds Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Barnabas Delano, is returned by him; not having been presented to that Meeting; and he having returned here to reside.

xp. Shearman
denied.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Experience Shearman; who has so far separated herself from Friends, as to continue in the attendance of a separate Meeting.

ertif for
liza Drinker
return'd.

We also unite with the Women's Meeting in their conclusion to return to the Monthly Meeting of Frankford, Pennsylvania, a removal Certificate recd. from that Meeting on behalf of Eliza W. Drinker and Children.

ydia Breed's
visit

The company and services of our esteemed friend Lydia Breed (who attended this Meeting with a copy of a minute from Providence Monthly Meeting) have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting, in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

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1830. 6 mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 6 mo. 1830

Representatives — New Bedford, Job Eddy, John Howland Jr — Longplain, Daniel Davis, Peleg Howland — who are all present.

Queries answd — The queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d & 10th — and answers adopted therefrom, directed

Repts to Q. Mg — to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are; Abraham Davis, Francis Taber, Geo. Howland

Jos. R. Howland denied — The Friends appointed in the 4th month last to visit Joseph R. Howland, report, that they unitedly sought an opportunity with him, which he evaded — that one of them has since had an interview with him, but not to satisfaction; and that they are united in judgment that it will be best to disown him as a member of our Society — which being considered, is united with, & with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we accordingly deny him the right of membership, and William Tallman is named to inform him hereof.

Holy Scriptures. Report of Committee — The Committee appointed as by minute of the 4th mo to make inquiry relative to the families of Friends being supplied with the Holy Scriptures, made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting — Agreeably to our appointmt we have made inquiry wherever it appeared probable there might be any deficiency in respect to the Holy Scriptures, and find one instance of a Friend being unprovided, and five families not supplied with suitable copies." (Signed)

Abel D'Wolf, Daniel Davis, Seth C. Hiller,
Job Otis, Wm C. Taber, Wm Samson.

the substance of which the Clerk is directed to enter on our account to the Quarterly Meeting, with information that care will be taken here to supply these deficiences.

Caleb Kempton & J. R. Thornton informed — The Friends named to inform Caleb Kempton and John R. Thornton of the minutes of denial made in their cases respectively, report their attention to that service.

Visits of Jos. Bowne & Phebe Field — The company and religious engagements of our beloved friends Joseph Bowne, of Butternutts, & Phebe Field of Scipio, State of New York have been very acceptable and encouraging to us in this Meeting. And the Clerk is directed to enter this minute on our accot to the Quarterly Mg.

Hannah Nye Jr denied — We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Hannah Nye Jr.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island,

from the 13th to the 18th, inclusive, of the sixth month, 1830.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to this Meeting, copies thereof were directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have during the past year, endeavoured to promote the objects confided to their care by the Yearly Meeting, in the superintendence of the Institution; and are thankful in being able to state, that its various concerns have been conducted in a good degree in accordance with the design of Friends in its establishment. Meetings for worship have been regularly kept up; and the family preserved in harmony.

The School is continued under the immediate charge of Enoch and Lydia Breed, as Superintendents, in which they have the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould.—Benjamin B. Hussey, Moses Mitchell, Joseph Hoag, Deborah Ramsdell, Lydia B. Allen, and Sarah Fry, have been employed as Teachers, during most of the past year, with the exception of Benjamin B. Hussey, whose state of health was such in the autumn, as to render it necesary for him to retire from the School. During his absence Joseph Healey was employed as an associate Teacher. Benjamin B. Hussey is again about to resume the discharge of his former duties; and Moses A. Cartland has been recently engaged as an Assistant in the Boys' department, and Phebe Burgess in the Girls'.

The average number of scholars, during the year, has been one hundred and twenty-seven.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund, and of the Superintendent, have been received, and audited, and the state of the Fund continues to be such, as to induce the Committee to propose that Children who are members of this Yearly Meeting, continue to be admitted at twelve and a half dollars per quarter, and that the privilege of sending Children, free of expense, be continued, as last year.

The Committee being clearly of the opinion, that Children would receive much greater benefit by being sent to the School for a term of time not less than six months, Friends and Monthly Meetings are therefore advised not to send them for a shorter space of time, when it can be conveniently avoided.

Friends are also advised not to send Boys over the age of fourteen years to the School, until they have first obtained the approbation of the School Committee, which meets at Providence the third day after the last fifth day in each month.

On behalf of the Committee,

MOSES BROWN.
MARY B. ALLEN.

Providence, 5 mo. 7, 1830.

At the Yearly Meeting aforesaid,

An Essay, entitled "The Testimony of the Society of Friends on the American Continent," prepared by the General Committee, composed of Committees from all the Yearly Meetings in America, (which convened in Philadelphia, in the 7th month last,) was read before our Meeting of Men and Women Friends, collectively assembled, and being deliberately considered, was cordially, unitedly, and fully approved, as embracing a concise declaration of the doctrines and testimonies which have always been held by our Society. This Document having now been approved by all the Yearly Meetings of Friends in this country, the Clerk was directed to add to this minute, in the extracts to be sent down, that the necessary arrangements have been made for printing it, and that the several Quarterly Meetings will be supplied, by the Meeting for Sufferings, with a sufficient number of copies to furnish one to each family of Friends within their respective limits.

The subject of marrying in the kindred by Affinity, having been brought under the view of this Meeting, received its solid and deliberate consideration; and it is concluded that the construction of our Yearly Meeting, as particularly defined in the year 1773, [namely, That our members be not allowed to marry a deceased wife's sister, or a deceased husband's brother,] shall hereafter be considered as the construction to be given to our present Discipline.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Minute to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, to be inserted in the Books of Discipline in their possession.

Copied, by direction, from the Minutes of said Meeting, by

Abm. Shearman, Jr. Clerk

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held in the sixth mo. 1830.

During the consideration of the state of the Society, as presented by the Answers to the Queries, much pertinent and feeling counsel and advice was freely offered. We were impressively reminded, that love to God is the foundation of love to the brethren, and that where this love pervades the mind, there will be no neglect of the important duty of assembling ourselves together for the purpose of worshipping Him, from whom are all our blessings, and who calls for this, as a reasonable service at our hands; and that dwelling in this love, we should be favoured to witness preservation from that estrangement of feeling towards our brethren, which once finding a place in the human mind, and being there cherished, has led, step by step, to the most awful and desolating consequences. We were at the same time, emphatically reminded of the more subtle transformations of the enemy of all good, in his appearances as an angel of light, and faithfully admonished of impending danger to those who should listen to his artful insinuations; from which increased watchfulness, humility, and dedication, could alone preserve us.—The subject of plainness of apparel and deportment was feelingly adverted to, as not only consistent with our profession, and right in itself, but as a means of preservation from unprofitable associations, leading the mind from the simplicity of the Truth into the spirit and maxims of the world, and the contaminating influences of fashionable life. It was adverted to, as manifesting in the Youth, not only an evidence of the care, on the one hand, of a Parent, concerned to promote the best interests of his beloved Children, and on the other, of youthful obedience and regard to the feelings of such a parent; but, as manifesting, in many instances, the operation of Divine grace on the heart, leading to its adoption from principle. Parents were fervently entreated not to relax in the exercise of a watchful care, in this and other respects, but to seek for that qualification which will increasingly enable them to take the children by the hand, and in the impressive language of example as well as precept, call upon them, to follow them as they are endeavouring to follow Christ; that thus they may grow up as tender plants; and that instead of the fathers, there may be the sons, rightly qualified to take their places, in a faithful discharge of the important duties that must ere long devolve upon them.—The advantages of an early and of a continued acquaintance with the Holy Scriptures, by a frequent and attentive perusal of them, was feelingly dwelt upon.——We were also forcibly reminded of the importance of a faithful maintenance of our testimony in regard to the use of spirituous liquors, particularly at a time when the public mind is becoming so fully convinced on this subject—and of bearing a faithful testimony to our belief in the peaceable nature of the Redeemer's kingdom, and against the spirit of war. On the latter subject, a feeling appeal was made to our members in the younger walks of life, to evince their gratitude for the favours which are extended to them in an exemption from the burthen of military services, by great circumspection in giving no just occasion to any, to call in question the sincerity of their profession, by being present as spectators at military parades, or otherwise; but that in all their conduct, they may shew to others, that they are indeed "conscientiously scrupulous of bearing arms," and thus become qualified to advance the cause of Peace and Truth in the earth.—Which being in unison with the concern of this Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward transcripts of this Minute to our several Quarterly Meetings.

We are informed by New-York Yearly Meeting, that the following Friends are appointed Correspondents, for the purpose of authenticating Certificates, in the place of Friends deceased, viz:

James Birdsall, of Marlborough Mo. Meeting, Cornwall Quarterly Meeting—address, *Newburgh, Orange Co. N. Y.*
David Aldrich, of East Hoosack Mo. Meeting, Easton Quarterly Meeting—address, *South Adams, Berkshire Co. Mass.*
James Robson, of Hartland Mo. Meeting, Farmington Quarterly Meeting—address, *Johnson's Creek, Niagara Co. N.Y.*

———— By Baltimore Yearly Meeting,—that it has appointed,
For Gunpowder Mo. Meeting, Jesse Scott, John Scott;
Deer Creek Mo. Meeting, Samuel Worthington, Elisha Cook;
Nottingham and Little Britain Mo. Meeting, Thomas Waring, Joseph Balance, jun.
as Correspondents, in addition to those appointed last year; one of whom is to sign, in addition to the usual signatures of the Clerks, all minutes and certificates issued by their Monthly or Quarterly Meetings for members or ministers of our religious society.

Our Quarterly Meetings are requested, in future, to acknowledge in their accounts to the Yearly Meeting, the receipt, and disposition made, of minutes and papers transmitted to them by its direction.

It was concluded to raise eight hundred dollars for the service of the ensuing year, and the several Quarterly Meetings were requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to our Treasurer.

Copied, by direction, from the Minutes of the Meeting aforesaid, by

Abm. Shearman Jr. Clerk.

N. Bedford Mo. Meeting.

1830 Jan At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 25 of Jan: 1830

Representatives New Bedford Seth Russell Elisha Thornton. Longplain Shadrach Davis Thomas Howland — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended the first sitting of that Meeting, but that one of their number was not present at the adjournment, being unexpectedly detained by an engagement that could not well be avoided.

Wm Eddy and Mary C. Taber Proposal of marriage — William Eddy & Mary C. Taber appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage — Abraham Barker & Seth Russell are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to William's Clearness to proceed thereon & report at our next Mo. Mg.

Extracts from minutes of Yearly Meetg — Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were received and read — including the Report of the Boarding School Committee, and the following explanatory article of Discipline which is directed to be entered on the Books of Discipline belonging to this Meeting — for which service we appoint Abraham Shearman Junr. Wm. C. Taber and Thomas Howland, who are requested to report when accomplished. [For report of the Boarding School Committee and the article referred to, see printed extracts.]

New article of Discipline

The other extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, were also received & read. [For which see printed extracts as above.]

$99, propor of Qr. Stock — We are informed by a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the Stock proposed to be raised by that Meeting, is $99 — which our Treasr. is requested to pay to theirs.

Auditors rept. settlemt. with Treasr. $144.62 due him — The Auditors report, that they have settled with the Treasurer and find a balance due him of $144.62/100. The fixing of a sum suitable to be raised is referred to our next Mo. Meeting. And the Auditors & Overseers of the Poor are requested to take the subject into consideration, and report at that time.

Complaints ag. Nathl. Nye — The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform, that Nathaniel Nye has for sometime past, wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and has frequently been in the habit of partaking too freely of spirituous liquors. — Seth Russell and Shadrach Davis are appointed to visit him on on these accounts, and report at a future Meeting.

Humphrey Nye — The Overseers also inform that Humphrey Nye has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a Member — George W. Baker and Job

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Eddy are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Certif. for Lavina Negus recd.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a removal Certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Lavina Negus, wife of Isaac.

1830. 8mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 8mo. 1830.

Representatives — New Bedford, Joseph Davis, George W. Baker — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Shadrach Davis — who are all present.

W. Eddy & M. C. Taber's marriage allowed

William Eddy and Mary C. Taber having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they having consent of parents, and nothing appearing, after due inquiry, to obstruct their proceeding, they are allowed to solemnize their said marriage according to the established order of our Society, and Abraham Shearman, Junr. & Seth Russell are named to have the oversight thereof, & report to our next Mo. Meeting.

Sum to be raisd by Mo. Mg. referred

The consideration of a sum suitable to be raised by this Meeting, is referred, under care of the Committee, to our next Monthly Meeting.

James H. Wetherell denied

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 5 mo. last year, to visit James H. Wetherell, made the following report.

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have had several opportunities with James H. Wetherell on account of his having married with one who is not in membership with us; and although he acknowledged to us his error in so doing, and was willing to make the same acknowledgment to the Meeting; yet we have waited a considerable time in order to see his sincerity evinced by a line of conduct consistent with our religious profession; we particularly allude to want of conformity in regard to the steady attendance of our Meetings, as well as in dress and address. — Which is submitted to the judgment of the Meeting.

New Bedford, 8mo. 26. 1830.

Joseph Davis,
Perry Russell."

which being duly considered, and the Women uniting therein, we deny him the right of membership, & Benja. Swift is named to inform him hereof.

Geo Almy Jr. requests remov. Certif.

George Almy requests a removal Certificate to Providence Mo. Meeting, for himself and family. — Job Eddy and Areli Dewolf are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report at a future Meeting.

Complaint. Asa Butler

The Overseers inform that Asa Butler has for a long time, very much, if not wholly, neglected the attendance of our Meetings, on which account some labour was extended, and has married, contrary to the order of our Society, with one

1830. 8mo. who is not a member — Joseph Davis & Seth Russell are appointed to visit him on account of this complaint, and report at a future Meeting.

Remov.l Certif for Al: Gurney rec.d — A removal Certificate from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Western District, on behalf of Albert C. Gurney is accepted.

Shubael Taber inform.d — The Friend who was named to inform Shubael Taber of the minute of denial in his case reports his attention thereto.

1830. 9mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d of 9mo. 1830.

Representatives. New Bedford, Timothy Ann, Barnabas Taber — Longplain, Abiel Tewolf, Nicholas Davis — who are all present.

Clerks app.d — The time for which the Clerks were appointed being expired, Abraham Shearman Jun.r is appointed Clerk, and William C. Taber, Assistant Clerk, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Queries. — The Queries were read, with answers to the 1st, 2d and 10th; and a summary thereof directed to be forwarded to the

Rep.s to Q. M.g — Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are Abraham Davis, Cornelius Howland, & Reuben Russell.

One of the Friends named to have the oversight of William Eddy's marriage, reports that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Removal Certif. for G. Almy Jr. & fam.y app.d — A removal Certificate directed to Providence Mo. Meeting, on behalf of George Almy Jun.r and Family, is approved in this, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting.

The Overseers inform, that Alden S. Davis has

Complaint Alden S. Davis. — married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a Member — William Tallman and Amaziah Delano are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Mary Howland app.d an Elder. — We unite, after a time of deliberate consideration, with the Women's Meeting, in the appointment of Mary Howland to the station of an Elder, should it meet the approbation of the Quarterly Meeting.

Sam.l W. Hussey. — The Committee in the case of Samuel W. Hussey made the following Report: "To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have to inform the Meeting, that the Committee in the case of Samuel W. Hussey have not had an opportunity of visiting him of latter time, in consequence of his residence in a foreign country; but we are fully satisfied that the complaint presented to the Meeting against him, was well founded, and from the circumstances of the case, can see no prospect of usefulness likely to result from our being longer continued in the case; and are of the opinion that it will be safe for the Meeting to proceed against him; which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting.

Seth Russell
William Tallman
Job Eddy
Job Otis."

New Bedford,
8mo. 19. 1830.

1830. 9mo. —which being duly considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and William Tallman is named to inform him hereof when opportunity offers.

Sam. W. Hussey denied.

Saml. Davis denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 3d month last, to visit Samuel Davis, [of Rochester] report, That they have attended to their appointment, and that his mind appears to be made up to attend the Meetings of another Society, and that he continues in the neglect of our own — which being considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership — and Daniel Davis is named to inform him hereof.

Sum to be raised. The consideration of a sum suitable to be raised by this Meeting is again referred.

Jos. R. Howland inform.d William Tallman reports, that he informed Jos. R. Howland of the minute of denial made in his case.

1830. 10mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 10mo. 1830.

Representatives. — New Bedford, Job Eddy, Barns. Taber — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Amaziah Delano — Who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended.

London Epistle. The Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in London in the fifth month last, was read in this Meeting to our edification and comfort; and was directed to be read in each of our particular Meetings at the close of some publick Meeting for Worship.

Nathaniel Nye denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 7th mo. last, to visit Nathaniel Nye, made the following report, viz

"To the Monthly Meeting. — We have attended to our appointment in the case of Nathaniel Nye, and do not find that he is in that state of mind to make such satisfaction as Friends could consistently accept. — Which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting.

Seth Russell,
10mo. 28. 1830. Shadrach Davis."

which being considered, and the Women's Meeting uniting therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Zeriah Wood is named to inform him hereof.

Humphy H. Nye denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 7mo. last, to visit Humphry H. Nye, report that they have had an opportunity with him, and are united in judgment, that he is not in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his departure from the established order of Society — which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Amaziah Delano is named to inform him hereof.

Having received the following communication from Frankford Monthly Meeting, viz.

1830 10mo Dear Friends. "To New Bedford Mo. Meeting of Friends.

Communication from Frankfd Mo. Meeting — The Certificates granted by this Meeting in the 12th mo last, for William R. Rodman & family, and Eliza Lenker and her Minor Children recommending them to yours being returned to us in the 6th month last, accompanied with the information that they did not attend your Meetings, nor give any encouragement of their attendance in future; — this Meeting taking the subject into consideration, believes it right to request you to treat with the Parents on our behalf, on the charge contained in your communication, and inform us of the result of your labour. Signed in and on behalf of Frankford Monthly Meeting, Pennsylvania, held 9mo 28. 1830.

Chas. Shoemaker, Correspondt. } Thomas Magarge; } Clks.
Alice Knight;

Committee to visit W. R. Rodmn — We appoint Francis Taber, Perry Russell, & Abrm. Shearman, to visit William R. Rodman in compliance with the request therein contained, and to report at a future Meeting.

Elizabeth Hitch late Swift denied — We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Hitch, late Swift, who has married out of the order of our Society.

Rochester Meetings — The Committee under appointment to visit the Meetings at Rochester, not being prepared to report at the present time, are continued, to report at our next Monthly Meeting.

$400. to be raisd — The Committee appointed to that service, having proposed that four hundred dollars be raised for the use of this Meeting, — it is united with; — and Wing Russell, Sands Wing, John Howland, Junr. and Zeruiah Wood, are appointed to collect the same, & report when accomplished.

J. H. Wetherell inform'd — Benjamin Swift reports, that he has informed James H. Wetherell of the minute of denial made in his case.

1830. 11mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 11mo. 1830.

Representatives — New-Bedford, Weston Howland, Geo. W. Baker. Longplain, Elnathan E. Delano, Seth C. Hiller who are all present.

Queries. — The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st. 2d. & 10th — from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, Abraham Davis, Perry Russell and Job Eddy.

Rochester Meetings — The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, made the following report; viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting — The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, have continued since their last report frequently to attend those Meetings; and though the prospect has at times appeared discouraging, they feel best satisfied after endeavouring duly to consider the subject, to propose that

1830. 11mo. the Meetings be continued for another year, as they have heretofore been held, under the care of a Committee. — Which they submit to the Meeting. On behalf of the Committee,

Abraham Davis.

New Bedford, 11mo 24, 1830. Mary Card.

which being considered, is with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, accepted; and the Meetings continued as therein proposed, — under the care of the Committee now under appointment, with the exception of George Almy who has removed.

Wm R. Rodman. The Committee appointed in pursuance of the request of Frankford Mo Meeting to visit William R. Rodman, report, that one of their number called on him, and requested an interview on behalf of the Committee, which he declined giving — and they do not see that any thing further can be usefully done in the case by Friends here — which being considered is united with; and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to Friends of Frankford Monthly Meeting.

R. Rodman & E. Drinker. We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a report made by their Committee in the cases of Rebecca Rodman & Eliza Drinker

Mary Sanford denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary Sanford.

Complaints. The Overseers inform, that Albert C. Barney for whom a Certificate was received in the 8th month still continues wholly

Albt C. Barney to neglect the attendance of our Meetings, and gives no encouragement of attending them in future. — Seth Russell and Benjamin Swift are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

The Overseers inform, that Thomas S. Hathaway has

Thos S. Hathaway for some time past wholly neglected the attendance of our Meetings, and is entirely deficient in regard to plainness; for which labour has been extended, without the desired effect — Amaziah Delano and Shadrach Davis are appointed to extend further labour in the case, and report at a future Meeting.

Nathl Nye and H. H. Nye inform'd. The Friends named to inform Nathaniel Nye and Humphry H. Nye of the minutes of denial made in their cases respectively, report that they have attended thereto.

1830. 12mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d of 12mo 1830.

Representatives — William Tallman, Wing Russell — Longplain, Abeli Dewolf, Amaziah Delano — who are all present, except Wing Russell.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

Removal Certif. James Shearman. A removal Certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of James Shearman, is accepted.

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1830 12mo. Complaint Wm. H. Hathy.

The Overseers inform "that William H. Hathaway wholly neglects the attendance of our Meetings, and has been in the practice of frequenting places of amusement inconsistent with our religious profession — that they have laboured with him without the desired effect — and believe it timely, to lay the case before the Meeting." which being considered, — William Tallman and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on that account, and report at a future Meeting.

$400. raised for M. Mg.

The Committee appointed in the 10th month, to receive subscriptions for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurer's receipt for four hundred Dollars, the sum proposed to be raised.

Overseers

Joseph Davis, Cornelius Howland, Shadrach Davis, and Seth Russell are appointed to consider of, and propose to our next Monthly Meeting, the names of such Friends as they may deem suitable to be appointed as Overseers of this Meeting.

Alden S. Davis denied.

The Committee appointed in the 9th month, to visit Alden S. Davis, made the following report, viz.

"Agreeable to appointment, we have visited Alden S. Davis: he does not manifest any disposition to make Friends satisfaction for his deviations in marrying out of Society, and the nonattendance of our Meetings; and are of opinion that further labour from us will be unavailing; — which we submit to the Meeting.

"New Bedford, 12mo 23. 1830. William Tallman
Amaziah Delano."

which being considered, we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Job Eddy is named to inform him hereof —

Min. for Ruth Smith

The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Women's Meeting, in signing a copy of a minute directed to Baltimore Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth Smith.

1831. 1st Mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 1st mo. 1831.

Representatives — N. Bedford: Joseph Davis, Wm. Tallman
Longplain, Sands Wing, Abraham Davis — who are all present.

Willm. R. Taber & Mary Davis. intentions of Marriage.

William R. Taber & Mary Davis appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. — Seth Russell & Abraham Barker are requested to make the necessary inquiry relative to William's clearness to proceed therein — and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Complaints Asa Nye

We are informed by Longplain Preparative Meeting, that Asa Nye has married contrary to the order of our Society — Areli Dewolf and Abraham Davis are appointed to visit him on that account — and report at a future Meeting.

& James Nye.

We are also informed, that James Nye has married contrary to the order of our Society — George W. Baker and Job Eddy, are appointed to visit him on that account — and report at a future Meeting

1831. 1mo.

The Committee appointed in the 11th month to visit Albert C. Barney, made the following report;—

A.C. Barney denied.

"To the Monthly Meeting.— We have attended to our appointmt. in the case of Albert C. Barney.— He is not in a disposition of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation; and we are of opinion that further labour would be unnecessary.— Which we submit to the Meeting;

Seth Russell.
New Bedford, 1mo. 27. 1831. Benjn. Swift."

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Perry Russell is named to inform him hereof.

Appointmt. of Overseers.

Francis Taber, Abraham Sherman, Junr. Barnabas Taber, Perry Russell, Abraham Davis, Amaziah Delano, Asa L. Dewolf, and Seth C. Hiller being proposed by the Committee named last month, are appointed Overseers of this Meeting, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

1831. 2mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 2mo. 1831.—

Representatives — N. Bedford, Weston Howland, Edmd. Gardner — Longplain, Amaziah Delano, Humphry Kempton, who are all present.—

Wm. R. Taber and Mary Davis. marriage allowd.

William R. Taber & Mary Davis, having in our last Mo. Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and it appearing on inquiry that they have consent of Parents, and are clear to proceed therein; they are allowed to solemnize said marriage, according to the established order of our Society — and William Tallman & Job Otis are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report next Month.

Alden S. Davis and Samuel Davis informd.

The Friends named for that purpose, report that they have informed Alden S. Davis and Samuel Davis of the minutes of denial made in their cases respectively.

Report of Com. for o'sight Funerals & care of Burial Grds.

The Committee appointed in the 2d mo. last, to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds, made the following report. viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We your Committee appointed in the 2d month of last year, to have the oversight of Funerals & Burial Grounds, report. That we have endeavoured to give attention thereto in conformity to a minute at that time adopted,* as respects Funerals, and applications made by persons not members of Society, to inter their deceased relatives or friends; yet there has been one instance of erecting Stones without the knowledge of the Committee. Some labour has been extended toward a removal of monuments previously erected.

2mo. 20 On behalf of the Committee, Barnd. Taber."

*see page 26.—

Re-appointment of Committee.

— which being considered,— the Friends now under appointment are continued in that service for another year; and are requested to proceed therein, agreeably to the minute of last year.

Complaint. Wm. C. Nye.

The Overseers inform, that William C. Nye has married contrary to the order of our Society,^ — Barnd. Taber & Job Eddy are appointed to visit him on this acct.— and report at a future Meeting.

* with one who is not a member.

1831. 2mo — William Tallman, John Howland, Jun. Job Eddy, Shadrach Davis

Overseers of the Poor. — Daniel Davis, and Amaziah Delano, are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

1831. 3mo — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 3mo. 1831

Representatives _ New Bedford: Barnabas Taber, Reuben Russell; Longplain: Seth C. Hiller, Aiole Dewolf, who are all present.

Queries. — The Queries were read, with answers, from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting,

Repr to Q. Mg — by our Representatives, who are, Abraham Davis, John Howland, Jr. and Francis Taber.

W. R. Taber & M. D. marriage accomplished — The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William R. Taber & Mary Davis, made a Report, from which it appears, that the marriage was orderly conducted and that the Certificate was delivered to the Recorder.

The Committee appointed to visit William C. Nye, made the following report, viz. "Agreeable to appointment we

W. C. Nye denied — have visited William C. Nye on the subject of his outgoing in marriage and although he appeared favourably disposed towards Society, we did not find him in a state of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation from the wholesome order thereof, Concluding we can be of no further use in the case, we submit it to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting.

Barnd. Taber,

3mo 23. 1831. Job Eddy."

_ which being duly considered, and the Women's Meeting concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership, and Seth Russell is named to inform him thereof.

The Committee appointed to visit Asa Butler, made the following Report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

Asa Butler denied — "We have attended to our appointment in the case of Asa Butler, and do not find him in a state of mind to be retained in membership with us; and believing that further labour on our part will be unavailing, we submit the subject to the judgment of the Meeting.

New-Bedford, Seth Russell

3mo 24. 1831. Joseph Davis."

_ which being duly considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and Perry Russell is named to inform him thereof.

Certif. for Mary Swift recd. — We concur with the Women's Meeting in accepting a removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Mary Swift.

Art. of Discipline. — The Committee appointed in the 7th month, to insert in our Books of Discipline, an explanatory article on the subject of marriage, as directed by the Yearly Meeting, report that they have attended to that service.

A. C. Barney informed — Perry Russell reports that he has informed Albert C. Barney of the minute of denial in his case.

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1831. 4 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 4 mo. 1831. —

Representatives. — New Bedford, William Tallman; Job Eddy — Longplain, Elnathan E. Delano, Sands Wing — of whom are present, William Tallman and Job Eddy.

The Friends appointed as Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended.

Thos H. Howland & Sarah Kelley.

Thomas H. Howland & Sarah Kelley appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage. — Obadiah Davis and Reuben Russell are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Thomas's clearness to proceed therein, and report to our next Mo. Meeting.

Benjn Briggs & Caroline Cowing

Benjamin S. Briggs & Caroline Cowing also appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage.

Remov. Certifs. Wm Gifford & Wife.

A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of William Gifford and his wife, [Rhoda.] is accepted.

S. Russell. &c

A removal Certificate, on behalf of Seth Russell. &c from the Mo. Meeting of Baltimore for the Eastern & Western Districts, is also accepted.

W. C. Nye inform.

Seth Russell, reports, that he has informed Wm C. Nye of the minute of denial made in his case.

Complaint. James D. Butler "

The Overseers inform, that James D. Butler has of latter time, much neglected the attendance of our Meetings — on which account some labour has been extended; and has recently married contrary to the order of our Society, with one not in profession with us. — Barnabas Taber & Benjamin Swift are appointed to visit him on these accounts, and report at a future Meetg.

Com. to visit T. S. Hathaway

Joseph Davis is appointed on the Committee to visit Thomas S. Hathaway in the place of Shadrach Davis — Seth Russell is added to the same Committee.

1831. 5 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 5th mo. 1831.

Representatives. — New Bedford, Benjamin Swift, Joseph Davis. — Longplain, Daniel Davis, Abel Dewolf — who are all present —

A satisfactory reason is assigned for the non-attendance last month, of the Representatives appointed by Longplain preparative Mg.

Fredk Howland & Eliza L. Howld.

Frederick Howland and Eliza L. Howland appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage. — Elisha Thornton and George W. Baker are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Frederick's clearness to proceed therein, and report at our next Mo. Meeting.

Thos H. Howland & Sarah Kelley marriage allowd.

Thomas H. Howland & Sarah Kelley having appeared in our last Monthly Meeting, and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage; and they having consent of Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of Society — and John R. Davis & Peleg Howland are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report at our next Mo. meeting.

A Certificate on acct. of marriage from Smithfield Monthly Mg. on behalf of Benjamin S. Briggs is accepted.

B. S. Briggs & C. Cummings marriage allow'd.

Benjamin S. Briggs and Caroline Cowing having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage, and they having consent of Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of Society — and Obadiah Davis and Abm. Shearman are appointed to have the oversight thereof, & report at our next Mo. Meetg.

James Nye denied

The Committee appointed in the 1st month last to visit James Nye, made the following report, viz:

"We your Committee in the case of James Nye report that one of us called on him and requested an opportunity on behalf of the Committee, which he refused; and we think we cannot be further useful in the case, which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

George W. Baker
4m. 15. Job Eddy

— which being considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership; and Zeruiah Wood is named to inform him hereof.

C. Shepherd 2d denied

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 8th Mo. 1820, to visit Caleb Shepherd 2d, made the following report, viz:

"We your Committee in the case of Caleb Shepherd report that we have had an opportunity with him, and although he appeared desirous of retaining his right of membership, we do not consider him in a disposition of mind to make Friends satisfaction. It is our judgment that we cannot be any further useful in the case; which is submitted to the Meeting.

Job Eddy
To the Monthly Meeting. George Howland."
5mo. 25. 1831.

— which was considered; and the Women concurring therein, we deny him the right of Membership — and George W. Baker is named to inform him of this conclusion.

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The following communication being received from Frankford Monthly Meeting, viz:

"To New-Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends.

"Dear Friends, — The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to prepare testimonies of denial adapted to the cases of Wm R. Rodman, Rebecca his Wife, and Eliza Drinker, produced them at this Meeting, which being read and deliberately considered, were approved, & Thomas Magarge & Abraham Keyser appointed to furnish your Monthly Mg. with copies thereof; requesting it to furnish the individuals respectively therewith, and to inform them of their right to appeal.

"Taken from the Minutes of Frankford Mo. Mg. held 3mo 1st 1831 and signed by direction thereof

Thomas Magarge } Clerks"
Jesse Spencer, Correspondt. — Alice Knight

— in compliance with the request therein contained Elisha Thornton is appointed

1831. 5mo. pointed to furnish William R. Rodman with the testimony of denial
in his case, inform him of his right of appeal from the judgment of
Frankford Monthly Meeting, and report to this Meeting when
accomplished.

James Slade, min. returnd. James Slade, who resided here when a Minor, with a copy
of a minute from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting, having accomplished
his Apprenticeship, the Clerk is directed to return said Minute
to the Monthly Meeting aforesaid; with a copy of this.

Asa Butler, informd. The Friend named to that service, reports, that he has informed
Asa Butler of the minute of denial in his case.

George Howland, John Howland, jun. & Seth Russell are appointed
Treasury. a Committee to examine & settle the Treasurer's accounts, consider
" of a sum suitable to be raised for the service of the present
year, including a balance now due the Treasurer — also to propose
a Treasurer. — And report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Recorder and Assist. William C. Taber is appointed Recorder, and Geo. W. Baker
Assistant-Recorder, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment

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1831. 6mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 23 of 6mo. 1831.

Representatives. — New Bedford, Seth Russell,
Reuben Russell — Longplain, Amaziah Delano, Peleg Howland.
— who are all present, except Seth Russell, for whose
absence a sufficient reason is given.

Queries. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers
to the 1st. 2d. & 10th; from which a summary was prepared,
and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by
Repr. to Q. Mg. our Representatives, who are, Cornelius Howland, Francis Taber
and John Howland, Jun.

Fredk. Howland & E. L. Howld. marriage allod. Frederick Howland & Eliza L. Howland, having,
in our last Monthly Meeting declared their intentions of
taking each other in marriage, and they having the consent
of surviving Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein,
are allowed to solemnize their said marriage according to the
established order of our Society, and William Tallman and
Elisha Thornton are named to have the oversight thereof,
and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

T. H. Howland & Sarah Kelly. The Friends appointed to have the oversight of Thomas
H. Howland & Sarah Kelley's marriage, report, that it was orderly
conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

B. S. Briggs & C. Cowing. The Friends appointed to have the oversight of Benjamin
S. Briggs & Caroline Cowing's marriage, made a similar report.

The Committee appointed last month to examine and
Settlemt. of Treasr. accts. settle the Treasurer's accounts, & for other purposes, made the
following report; "New Bedford, 6mo. 20. 1831.

"We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of
the Mo. Meeting, and find a balance due him of $134 $\frac{51}{100}$
which has been paid him. — We would propose that the Mo.

Meeting should raise three hundred Dollars, & likewise propose William C. Taber for Treasurer.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Seth Russell.
Geo. Howland,
John Howland Jr.

Treas.r appointed
$300 to be rais.d

which being considered is accepted; and in conformity therewith, William C. Taber is appointed Treasurer. It is concluded to raise three hundred Dollars as proposed. — Geo. W. Baker, Joseph T. Tillinghast, Aroli Dewolf, Amaziah Delano, and Abraham Davis are appointed to collect the same, & produce the Treasurer's rec.ts therefor when accomplished. — And the Treasurer is requested to pay to the Auditors the amount advanced by them, as by their report, when in funds.

Remov. Certif. requested for Augustus Howland

Augustus Howland having requested a removal Certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting, state of New-York, George W. Baker and Joseph Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, & report to our next M.o Meeting.

W. R. Rodman inform.d

Elisha Thornton reports, that he has furnished Wm. R. Rodman with the testimony of denial in his case, forwarded by Frankford M.o Meeting, and informed him of his right of appeal.

Asa Nye denied.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of first month last, to visit Asa Nye, made the following report: — "Agreeably to appointment, we have visited Asa Nye, and did not find him in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his outgoings. — Which we submit to the M.o Meeting.

6 m.o 23. 1831.

Abraham Davis,
Aroli Dewolf"

which being considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and Amaziah Delano is named to inform him hereof.

C. Shepherd 2.d inform.d

The Friend appointed to that service, reports that he informed Caleb Shepherd, 2.d of the minute of denial in his case.

Remov.l Certif. for Fred.k Allen rec.d

A removal Certificate from Hopewell M.o M.g, Virginia, on behalf of Frederick Allen, is accepted.

Visits of Jos.h Hoag, Chas. Taber & Lind.y Hoag

Our esteemed Friends Joseph Hoag, Charles Taber, and Lindley M. Hoag, of Ferrisburgh M.o Meeting, attended this Meeting, in which their Company & Services have been acceptable to us, as has also the company of our friend Aaron Bull, companion to Charles Taber.

1831. 7 m.o

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 7 m.o 1831.

Representatives — New Bedford, Barn.s Taber, George W. Baker — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Sands Wing — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report that two of them attended to their appointment. — John Howland Jr. rendered a satisfactory reason for his non-attendance.

1831. 7mo.

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of Frederick Howland and Eliza S. Howland's marriage, report that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

B. F. Howland & Mary-Ann Russell.

Benjamin F. Howland and Mary Ann Russell made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage,— Seth Russell and William Tallman are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Benjamin's clearness to proceed therein, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

$300. raised.

The Committee appointed last month, to receive subscriptions for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurer's rect for $300. the sum proposed to be raised.

The Treasurer informed the Meeting, that he had paid the Auditors the sum advanced, as directed last month.

propor.n Q. Mg. Stock $99.

We are informed by a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the Stock concluded to be raised by that Meeting, is ninety-nine dollars.

Remov.l Certif. Augustus Howland.

A removal Certificate, directed to Scipio Monthly Mg, on behalf of Augustus Howland was approved, and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Complaint Henry R. Swift

The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, "that Henry R. Swift has for some time past neglected the attendance of our Meetings, on which account labour was extended by them without the desired effect— And has recently left home without the consent of his Father; being still a Minor." — Barnabas Taber and Perry Russell are appointed to extend further labour in the case, if way should open therefor, and report at a future Meeting.

Asa Nye inform.d

The Friend named to that service, reports, that Asa Nye has been informed of the minute of denial in his case.

Wm. H. Hathaway denied

The Committee appointed, as by minute of the 12th mo last, to visit William H. Hathaway, made the following report: viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeably to our appointment, we have visited Wm. H. Hathaway, and find that he is not in a disposition of mind to condemn his deviations from our Discipline in neglecting the attendance of our religious Meetings & practising music and dancing. Believing that further labour by us, will not be availing, we submit the case to the judgment of the Meeting.

William Tallman,
Joseph. Davis.

— which being considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, an Seth Russell is named to inform him hereof.

Silvia Terrell & Eunice Davis denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Silvia Terrell, (late Haskins.)

We also unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Eunice Davis.

At a Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 12th to the 17th, inclusive, of the sixth month, 1831.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being considered, was satisfactory to this Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have during the past year, endeavored to promote the objects of their appointment in a general superintendence of the Institution, and think they may inform, that its various concerns have been conducted in accordance with the intention of Friends in its establishment. Meetings for worship have been regularly kept up, and the family preserved in harmony.

The School is continued under the immediate care of Enoch and Lydia Breed, as Superintendents, with the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould. Moses A. Cartland, Jeremiah Hacker, and Pliny Earl, jun. are at present employed as Teachers in the Boy's School, and Deborah Ramsdell, Sarah Fry, and Dorcas Fry, in the Girls'. Benjamin B. Hussey, Lydia B. Allen, and Phebe Burgess, have also been employed during a part of the past year. Arrangements are now made with Caroline Cartland to occupy the place of an associate Teacher, and she is expected to enter upon her duties as such in a few days.

The average number of Scholars during the year has been one hundred and twenty-eight. Their health has been generally good, and their conduct and improvement in their studies have been satisfactory to the Committee.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendent have been received and audited, and the state of the fund is such, that the Committee think it safe to propose, that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting continue to be admitted at twelve and a half dollars per quarter, and that the privilege of sending children, free of expense, be continued to Monthly Meetings the same as last year.

The subject of extending the branches of education in the School, which was referred to the Committee by the last Yearly Meeting, claimed their early consideration, and they have proceeded in the erection of an addition to the School House, suitable for the accommodation of Scholars who wish to pursue a more extended course of education. A person to have the charge of these branches of learning has not yet been procured, but the Committee entertain a hope, that one suitably qualified, may soon be engaged.

It still continues to be the earnest desire of the Committee, that Friends who place their children in the School should be careful that they are habited in plain attire, and instructed to conform carefully to the rules and regulations of the Institution.—And they feel the propriety of again reviving the advice contained in their Report, last year, that Friends avoid sending Boys over fourteen years of age to the School, until they have first obtained the approbation of the Committee that meets at Providence on the third day-after the last fifth-day in each month.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

MOSES BROWN,
ALICE RATHBUN.

Providence, 5 mo. 6, 1831.

We are informed by Baltimore Yearly Meeting, that the following additional Correspondents have been appointed since last year, viz. :

Thomas Bowen and James Macreal, for Dunnings' Creek Monthly Meeting.
John Griffith, jun. and Mahlon Scholfield, for Hopewell Monthly Meeting.

One of whom is to sign, in addition to the usual signatures of the Clerks, all minutes and certificates issued by these Meetings for ministers and members of our religious society.

——— By Philadelphia Yearly Meeting,—that they have appointed as Correspondents,

For Philadelphia	Quarter, Caleb Pierce and Charles Allen.
Abington,	Abraham Keyser, Germantown.
Concord,	John Bullock, Wilmington, Del.
Caln,	James Embree, Bradford, Chester Co.
Western,	Solomon Lukens, Coatsville, Chester Co.
Burlington,	Simon Gillam, Mansfield, Burlington Co. in place of William Newbold, deceased.
Haddonfield,	Uriah Borton, Evesham, N. J.

——— By New-York Yearly Meeting, that

David Allen, of Charleston, Montgomery Co., N. Y. is appointed Correspondent for *Duanesburgh Monthly Meeting*.
Nathan Bishop, of New-Hartford, Oneida Co., N. Y. Correspondent for *Bridgewater Monthly Meeting*.
James Brown, of Peekskill, Westchester Co., N. Y. Correspondent for *Amawalk Monthly Meeting*.

From the minutes of said Meeting,
A. SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk*.

An extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, embracing the Report of the Boarding School Committee, was received and read. (For which see printed Extract.)

The following communication to Frankford Monthly Meeting, was directed to be signed & forwarded by the Clerk. viz.

"To Frankford Monthly Meeting of Friends

"Dear Friends, Agreeably to your request, William R. Rodman, Rebecca his Wife and Eliza Drinker have been furnished, respectively, with the testimonies of denial issued by your Meeting, and informed of their right of appeal.

"Signed on behalf of New Bedford Mo. Meeting, held 28th of 7mo. 1831. by" (Clerks)

1831. 8mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 8mo. 1831.

Representatives — New Bedford, Joseph Davis, Geo. Howland — Longplain, Peleg Howland, Amazh. Delano — who are all present.

B. F. Howld. & Mary Ann Russell — The Committee appointed last month to make the necessary inquiry relative to Benjamin F. Howland's clearness to proceed in marriage with Mary-Ann Russell, report, that they have made the inquiry, and find nothing to obstruct. — Consent of surviving Parents was laid before the Meeting. — And they were allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society. Peleg Howland & Geo. Howland were appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

W. H. Hathy. & James Nye inform. — The Friend named to that service, reports that he has informed Wm. H. Hathaway of the minute of denial in his case. Zeriah Wood informs that he has attended to a similar service in the case of James Nye.

Removal Certificates being received from Frankford Mo. Meeting for the minor Children of, Wm. R. Rodman & Eliza Drinker, — Cornelius Howland, Abm. Shearman & Perry Russell are appointed, to unite with a Committee of the Women's Mg. in considering the proper disposition of said Certificates, and report at a future Meeting.

Thos. S. Hathaway denied — The Committee appointed, as by minutes of the 9th & 4th months last, to visit Thomas S. Hathaway, made the following report; viz.

"To the Mo. Meeting. — We have attended to our appointment in the case of Thomas S. Hathaway, and do not find him disposed to make satisfaction for his deviations; and are of opinion that further labour would not be useful, which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford, 8mo. 25, 1831.

Seth Russell,
Joseph Davis,
Amaziah P. Delano —

— which being considered, & having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and Abiel [illegible] is named to inform him thereof.

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland informed us,
1831. 8mo. that she had a prospect of attending Scipio Quarterly Meeting
Susan Howland's while on a visit to her friends within its limits — which
visit to Scipio. had the concurrence of this Meeting — She being a Minister
— " — in unity with us — and the Clerk was directed to furnish
her with a copy of this Minute.

1831. 9mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 22d of 9mo. 1831.
Representatives. — New Bedford, Caleb Shearman,
Barnd. Taber — Longplain. Zeruiah Wood, Thomas A. Howland,
— who are all present.

Queries. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to
the 1st, 2d and 10th, from which a summary was prepared,
and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our
Repts. to Q. My. Representatives, who are, Joseph Davis, John Howland, Jun. and
Barnabas Taber.

One of the Committee appointed to have the oversight
B. F. Howland's of Benjamin F. Howland and Mary-Ann Russell's marriage,
marriage (the other being unwell,) reports that it was orderly conducted, and
the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

The Committee appointed in the 6th mo. 1828. to
Edwd. Howld. visit Edward Howland, son of Resolved, made the following
son of Resolvd. denied, Report: "To the Monthly Meeting.

"Agreeable to appointment, we have visited Edward
Howland on the subject of his deviation in marriage; and al-
though he manifested a regard for Society, yet did not feel
concerned to make Friends that satisfaction the case required.
— Which we submit to the Meeting. Barnd. Taber
Geo. W. Baker."
9mo. 21. 1831.

which being considered, and having the concurrence of the Wo-
men's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and
Caleb Shearman is named to inform him hereof.

T. S. Hathaway informd. The Friend named to that service reports that he
has informed Thomas S. Hathaway of the minute of denial made
in his case.

min. for Ruth A copy of a minute to Baltimore Mo. Meeting for
Smith. the Eastern & Western Districts, on behalf of Ruth Smith,
returnd. is returned by that Meeting, she having returned to reside
among us.

1831. 10Mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 10mo. 1831. —
Representatives — New Bedford, Joseph S. Tillinghast,
Job Eddy — Longplain, Daniel Davis, Peleg Howland —
who are all present.

Clerks Abraham Shearman, Jun. is appointed Clerk,
appd. — and William C. Taber, Assistant Clerk, for the year en-
suing, or till another appointment.

1831. 10 mo. The Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of the 8th month to consider of the proper disposition of certain certificates directed to this Meeting, report, that under all the circumstances of the case they think it will be best to receive them

Certifs. for Children of W. R. Rodmn. & E. Drinker, recd. Removal Certificates from Frankford Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel, Ann, Alfred, and Ellen Rodman, minor Children of William Rodman and from the same Meeting on behalf of Ann, and John Henry Drinker, minor Children of Eliza Drinker, were accordingly accepted by this and the Women's Meeting

Certif. for Benj.n F. Tripp recd. A removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Vassalborough, on behalf of Benjamin F. Tripp, was accepted.

Edwd. Howland informd. The Friend named to that service, reports that Edward Howland, has been informed of the minute of denial in his case.

Susan Howland's mini: return. Our friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting the copy of a minute furnished her in the 8th month, with an indorsement thereon by Scipio Quarterly Meeting, expressive of her company & services having been acceptable to them.

1831. 11 Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 11 mo: 1831.

Representatives. — New Bedford, William Tallman. John Howland, junr. — Longplain; Abel DeWolf & Sanders Wing; — who are all present.

London Epistle read. The London general Epistle of the present year, was read in this Meeting, to our edification, and was directed to be read at the close of some publick Meeting for worship in each of our particular Meetings, by Friends named for that purpose.

Queries. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d, & 10th — a summary of which was directed

Rep. to Q. Mg. to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are Abraham Davis, Joseph Davis, & Barnd. Taber.

Certif. for L. Gifford recd. A removal Certificate from Sandwich Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Lemuel Gifford, is accepted.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting,

Complaint. Jon. W. Allen. inform, "that Jonathan W. Allen has much neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings; and has, as they believe, at times, partaken too freely of spirituous liquors; — that they have laboured with him, from time to time, on these accounts; and having endeavoured to discharge their duty in the case, now feel best satisfied to lay it before the Meeting." — Reuben Russell & William Tallman are appointed to visit him on acct. of these deviations, and report at a future Meeting.

Edwd. Wall. Information from the Overseers, respecting Edward Wall

was

1831. 11 mo. - was read, and referred for consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

Joseph Grinnell. A communication from the Monthly Meeting of New-York, requesting the care of this Meeting in the case of Joseph Grinnell, being read; — in compliance therewith, we appoint Abraham Shearman, Jun. and Joseph Davis, to visit him, as requested, and report at a future Meeting.

Removal Certif. for Caroline Briggs &c. A removal Certificate directed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Caroline Briggs, wife of Benjamin S. Briggs, is approved.

Rochester Mg. The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, made a report, which was read; and the consideration of it referred to our next Mo. Meeting — the Meetings being continued, in the interim, under the care of the Committee, as heretofore.

Shadrach Davis. An acknowledgment from Shadrach Davis, [on account of his failure to pay the full amount of his just debts,] being recd. through Longplain Preparative Meeting, we appoint Amaziah Delano, Zeruiah Wood, and Job Eddy, to take the same into consideration; and report their judgment in the case at a future Meeting.

Treasury. George Howland, John Howland, Jr. & Geo. W. Baker are appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts; consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the service of the ensuing year; propose a Treasurer; and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

1831. 12mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 12mo. 1831.

Representatives — New Bedford; Barnabas Taber, Seth Russell — Longplain, Sands Wing, Abraham Davis — who are all present.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

Edward Wall denied. The following information from the Overseers, respecting Edward Wall, referred from our last Mo. Meeting, being again read & considered, viz. —

"The Overseers inform, that Edward Wall, a member by birth-right, of this Meeting, left us several years past, when quite young, and has since been removing from place to place, in a way that has prevented any recent extension of the care of Society towards him. — They have reason to believe that his life & conversation have been inconsistent with our religious profession; and as he has now arrived at mature age, they think it best to lay the case before the Meeting." — We do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and the Clerk is requested to inform him hereof, should any way open for it.

1831 12mo

Mordecai Shearman.

A copy of a minute from Peru Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mordecai Shearman, (who went to reside within the limits of that Meeting, some years past when a minor with a copy of a minute from this Meeting) is accepted. As he now resides at Fall River and has requested a removal Certificate to Swanzey Monthly Meeting, Job Eddy & William Tallman are requested to take the necessary care in the case, & report to a future Meeting.

Roche. Mtg.

The report of the Committee appointed to visit the Meeting at Rochester, is referred to next Month.

Treasurer report

The Committee appointed last month to examine & settle the Treasurer's accounts, & for other purposes, made the following report, viz. "We have examined the Treasurer's Accounts, and find a balance due him, of Seventeen 87/100 Dollars. We propose that the Monthly Meeting raise six hundred Dollars for the ensuing year; and likewise propose William C. Taber for Treasurer.

New Bedford, 12mo 7, 1831.

To the Monthly Meeting.

Geo. Howland
John Howland Jr
Geo. W. Baker."

Treas. appd

$600. to be raisd

which being read and considered, was accepted; and in conformity therewith, William C. Taber is appointed Treasurer. It is concluded to raise six hundred dollars as proposed. Joseph S. Tillinghast, John Howland, Jun. Sands Wing, Daniel Wing and Zeruiah Wood are appointed to collect the same, and produce the Treasurer's receipts therefor, when accomplished.

Our Treasurer is requested to pay to the Quarterly Meeting's Treasurer, our proportion of Stock, when in funds.

Complaint N. Davis, jr.

The "Overseers inform "that Nicholas Davis, jun. has much neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings, on which account labour has been extended, without the desired effect — and has also taken an Oath, instead of an affirmation, in a court of Justice, that he has been laboured with on account of this deviation from our testimonies, but is not disposed to condemn it, and that they now feel best satisfied to lay the case before the Meeting." Job Eddy and George W. Baker, are appointed to visit him on these accounts, and report at a future Meeting.

Shadrach Davis' acknowledgmt. accepted.

Two of the Friends named last month to consider the acknowledgment then presented by Shadrach Davis, made a report favourable to its acceptance by the Meeting; it was accordingly accepted; and Arole Dewolf named to inform him thereof.

[The acknowledgment above referred to. — "Having failed in ability to pay the full amount of all my just Debts, it has been cause of much uneasiness to me; and I am sensible that had there been on my part a more timely inspection of my affairs and settlement of my accounts, the result might have been different. So far as the cause of Truth has suffered hereby, I feel desirous of making satisfaction to Friends, and to be continued under their care.

[11mo 16. 1831.]

Shadrach Davis."]

1832. 1mo. At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 1mo 1832.

Representatives — New Bedford, William Howland, Joseph Davis — Longplain, Isaac Hiller, Areli DeWolf — of whom Areli DeWolf is present: — Wm Howlands attendance, we are informed, is prevented by indisposition.

removal Certif. for M. Shearman — A removal Certificate directed to Swanzey Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Mordecai Shearman, is approved.

Rochester Mgs — The subject of the Meetings at Rochester, is referred for consideration to the 4th month next. — The Meetings being continued as heretofore, under the care of the Committee now under appointment.

Joseph Grinnell. — The Committee appointed to visit Joseph Grinnell, in pursuance of the request of New-York Monthly Meeting, report "that they have attended to their appointment, & that he manifests a decided preference for the Meetings of those who are not in unity with the religious Society of Friends; and believe they cannot be further useful in the case" — which is united with by the Meeting: — and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the Monthly Meeting of New-York.

Complaint. S. Russell Jr. — The Overseers inform, that Seth Russell, Jr. has much neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings, on which account labour has been extended; and has recently married contrary to the order of our Society, with one not in profession with us. — George W. Baker & Benjamin Swift are appointed to visit him on these accounts, and report at a future Meeting.

Caleb Howland restored. — The Committee appointed, as by minute of the 1st. Mo. 1830 to visit Caleb Howland, made the following report:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We your Committee in the case of Caleb Howland, report, — that we have had several opportunities with him, in some good degree to satisfaction, and we are united in judgment, that it will be best to receive his acknowledgment, and continue him a member of our Society — which is submitted to the judgment of the Meeting.

Job Eddy.
New Bedford, 1mo 25. 1832. Reuben Russell."

which, with the accompanying acknowledgment, being read and considered, is, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, accepted, and he continued in membership; of which, Job Eddy is requested to inform him.

Overseers of Mo. Mg. appd. — The Overseers of this Meeting, now under appointment, viz. Francis Taber, Perry Russell, Barnabas Taber, Abraham Shearman, Jr. — Abraham Davis, Amaziah Delano, Areli DeWolf and Seth C. Hiller, are continued in that service for the year ensuing, or till a new appointment.

1832. 2mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 23d of 2d mo. 1832

Representatives — New Bedford, Daniel Butler, George W. Baker — Longplain, Amasiah Delano, Jacob Wing who are all present. Joseph Davis informs that his absence from our last Mo. Meeting, was the consequence of indisposition.

$600 raised. The Committee appointed in the 12th month to receive subscriptions for the use of this Meeting presented the Treasurer's receipt for six hundred dollars, the sum proposed to be raised. — And the Treasurer informs that he has paid to the Quarterly Meeting's Treasurer our proportion of that Meeting's Stock.

Case of George Tyson. The following communication from Baltimore Mo. Meeting of Friends for the Eastern & Western Districts requesting the care of this Meeting in the case of George Tyson, being recd. and read viz.

"At Baltimore Monthly Meeting for the Eastern & Western Districts (in unity with the Ancient Yearly Meetings of Friends,) held the 8th day of the 12th month, 1831.

"Baltimore Preparative Meeting informs, that a Certificate of removal was issued four or five years since for George Tyson, directed to Salem Mo. Meeting, and that he still retains possession thereof; and manifests no disposition to deliver it to that Meeting, — that at the time the Certificate was issued our Mo. Meeting was known and distinguished by the name of Baltimore Mo. Meeting for the Western District; — George now resides within the limits of New-Bedford Mo. Meeting, Massachusetts, and has almost wholly declined the attendance of Friends' Meetings there. The Clerk was directed to furnish New-Bedford Mo. Meeting with a copy of this minute, requesting it to treat with him on behalf of this Monthly Meeting.

Extracted from the minutes of the Meeting afored.

Nicholas Popplein, Correspondent. Wm. Procter, Clerk.

To New-Bedford Mo. Meeting."

——— We appoint Francis Taber and Abraham Shearman, Jr. to extend the care therein requested, and report at a future Meeting.

N. Davis Jr. denied. The Committee as by minute of 12th month, to visit Nicholas Davis Junr. made the following report, viz. —— "that they have had an opportunity with him, and did not find him disposed to condemn his deviation from our well known testimony against oaths, or to give any encouragement of a more frequent attendance of our Meetings. — Which is submitted to the Monthly Meeting

2mo 23. 1832. (Signed,) Job Eddy — Geo. W. Baker."

which being read & considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and George W. Baker is named to inform him hereof.

Com for ersight of Funals and care Burial Gds The time for which the Committee to have the oversight of Funerals and the care of Burial Grounds was appointed having expired — the same Friends are continued in that service for the year ensuing.

1832. 3 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 3d Mo. 1832.
Representatives — New Bedford; Lemuel Gifford, Caleb Shearman — Longplain; Seth C. Hiller, Elnathan Delano — who are all present.

Queries & Answ.rs The Queries were read in this Meeting; with Answers from the Preparative Meetings; from which summary Answers were compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly

Rep.s to Q. Mg. Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, Francis Taber; Abraham Davis and William Tallman.

Henry R. Swift denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 7th mo. last, to visit Henry R. Swift, made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — The Committee in the case of Henry R. Swift, report, that we have visited him on the subject of his non-attendance of our religious Meetings. — He gave us no encouragement of attending them in future; observing, he preferred those of another religious Society, of which he considered himself, a Member. Concluding we can be of no further use in the case, we submit it to the judgment of the Mo. Meeting. Perry Russell — Barn.d Taber."

— Which being read and considered; we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting; deny him the right of membership, and Lemuel Gifford is named to inform him hereof.

S. Russell Jr. denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 1st Mo. last, to visit Seth Russell, Jun.r, report "that they have had an opportunity with him; and did not find him desirous of making Friends satisfaction for his deviation." — Which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Benjamin Swift is named to inform him hereof.

Remov. Certificat for Geo. F. Barnard rec.d A removal Certificate from Nantucket Mo. Meeting, on behalf of George F. Barnard, is accepted.

Geo. Tyson. The Committee appointed last month, to visit George Tyson, in pursuance of the request of Baltimore Mo. Meeting of Friends for the Eastern & Western Districts, — report, — "that he has been called upon, and an opportunity requested on behalf of the Committee, which he declined giving, on the ground that his mind was so fully made up that it could be of no use." — which report being considered, was accepted; and it not appearing that any thing further can be usefully done in the case by this Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this Minute to the Monthly Meeting aforesaid.

Complaint. C. Jenney, 3. The Overseers of N. Bedford Prepar. Mg. inform, that Caleb Jenney 3.d now wholly neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings, and manifests a decided preference for the Meetings of another denomination — and that labour having, from time to time, been extended in the case, they

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends,
held 23rd of 5th month, 1844.

The overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Morgan Rotch, who according to discipline, has a right of membership with us, has not attended our religious Meetings, and has married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society ~~with one not in profession with Friends~~. His present residence being within the limits of Concord Monthly Meeting, in Delaware County, Pennsylvania, the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the minute to that Meeting, with a request that they would treat with him on our behalf, and acquaint us with the result.

Extracted from the Minutes,
, Clerk.

Address to Nathan Sharpless, Concord, Delaware County, Penn.

1832. 3mo. believe it cannot be usefully continued under their care. — We appoint William Tallman & Seth Russell to visit him on the account and report at a future Meeting.

N. Davis Jr inform.d The Friend named for that purpose, reports, that he has informed Nicholas Davis Jr of the minute of denial in his case.

John Wests Estate. The Committee appointed to settle with the Trustees of John West's Estate, made the following Report.—

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have this day settled with the Trustees of the Estate of John West, and find a balance in their hands of Two hundred, seventy, & 31/100 Dollars. Seth Russell.

"New Bedford, 3mo 14, 1832. Geo. Howland."

which being read, was accepted; and the subject of said Trust being brought under consideration, and one of the Trustees who was present, having requested to be excused from further service; it was the conclusion of the Meeting to proceed to a new appointment and George Howland and John Howland, Jr., were in accordance with this conclusion, appointed Trustees of said Estate in place of those who have heretofore been appointed by this Meeting. Job Eddy and George W. Baker were appointed to receive from the former Trustees the balance now remaining in their hands; pay the same over to the present Trustees, and report to our next Monthly Meeting. The same Friends were also appointed to act as Auditors of the accounts of the present Trustees.

1832. 4mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 4th mo. 1832.

Representatives — New Bedford, Barnd Taber, Wm R. Taber — Longplain, Abeli Dewolf, Benjn Taber — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended.

Henry R. Swift & S. Russell Jr. inform.d The Friends, named to that service, report, that they have informed Henry R. Swift & Seth Russell, Jr. of the minutes of denial made in their cases, respectively.

Jenney 3d denied. The Committee appointed last month to visit Caleb Jenney, 3d made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — We have attended to our appointment in the case of Caleb Jenney 3d and did not find him in a state of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation, and are of opinion that further labour would not be useful, which we submit to the Meeting. — Wm Tallman — Seth Russell."

— Which, being read and considered, we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and William Sampson is named to inform him hereof.

The following report of the Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, referred from 1st month last, being read and considered, was, with the concurrence of the Women's

1832: 4m°. Meeting, accepted — and those Meetings continued as they have here=
Rochester tofore been held; under the care of the Committee now under appoint=
Meetings ment — [viz. Cornelius Howland, Wm. Tallman. Francis Taber, Joseph
Davis, Job Eddy, John R. Davis, Abm. Shearman, Jun. Obadiah Davis,
Committee. Abraham Davis, Perry Russell, Barn. Taber, & Shadrach Davis,] —
with the addition of Lemuel Gifford, Reuben Russell, George W.
Baker, and Wm. R. Taber. And the Committee was requested
to report, 10m°. to report in the 10th Month next.

Report of the Committee. — "To the Monthly Meeting. —
"The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings
at Rochester, report: That those Meetings have been fre-
quently visited by some of the Committee; and though at times
under discouraging circumstances, they feel best satisfied, after
deliberately considering the subject, to propose that the Meetings
be continued another year, as they are at present held, under
the care of a Committee; which is submitted to the Monthly
Meeting.) Signed on behalf of the Committee,
"New Bedford; 11m° 23. 1832. Francis Taber.
Ruth Davis."

Remov. Certif. recd. for Edw. Hussey & family (A removal Certificate from Nantucket Monthly
Meeting on behalf of Edward Hussey & family; [his wife
Judith, and children Mary and Elizabeth,] was accepted, in
concurrence with the Womens Meeting.)

— and Wm. Gifford Jr. A removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly
Meeting, on behalf of William Gifford, Jun. was also accepted.

The following Minute of New York Mo. Meeting of
Joseph Grinnell. Friends held 7th of 3d Month, 1832 being recd. and read in this
Meeting, viz.

"The Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the
minute of disownment in the case of Joseph Grinnell, to the Mo.
Meeting of Friends at New Bedford; with a request that it
be shown him, and that he be made acquainted with his
right to appeal." Signed, "Wm. Birdsall. Clerk."

We appoint Elisha Thornton to attend to the service
therein requested, and report next month.

Jno. Wests Estate. The Committee appointed last month to receive from
the former Trustees of John Wests Estate the balance remaining in
their hands, and to pay the same over to the present Trustees,
made a verbal report, which being considered, the Committee was
continued in that service, and requested to report next month.

1832. 5m°. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 5m°. 1832
(Representatives — New Bedford; Seth Russell,
William Tallman — Longplain; Peleg Howland, Thos. H. Howland
— who are all present.)

copy min. for R. Davis, 2d. recd. A copy of a minute from Sandwich Mo. Meeting, on
behalf of Russell Davis, 2d. a Minor, now residing here, is accepted.

1832 5mo. The Friend named to that service at our last Mo. Meeting reports
C. Jenney 3d inform. that he has informed Caleb Jenney 3d of the minute of denial in his case.

The Friend named last month in pursuance of the request
Jos. Grinnell of New York Monthly Meeting of Friends to inform Joseph
inform. Grinnell of his disownment by that Monthly Meeting and
of his right to appeal, reports that he has attended to that
service. And the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of
this minute to said Meeting.

The Committee on the subject of John West's Estate
Jno. West's informed the Meeting that they had paid some attention
Estate. to that business but were not fully ready to report. They
are continued in that service and requested to report next month.

William Tallman, John Howland, Jun.r Job Eddy
Overseers of — Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, and Amaziah Delano
Poor. are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing, or
till another appointment.

Recorder. George W. Baker is appointed Recorder for the year
ensuing, or till another appointment.

C. Piggott denied We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right
of membership to Catherine Piggott, (late Howland.)

case of Abm. Howld. Abm. Shearman, jun.r is added to the Committee ap-
pointed in 12mo. 1829, to visit Abraham Howland.

1832. 6mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 6 mo. 1832.

Representatives New Bedford Joseph Davis, [illegible]
Howland. Longplain Abraham Davis, Amaziah Delano
who are all present.

Queries The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers
to the 1st, 2d, and 10th; from which a Summary was compiled
and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our
Repts. to Q. Mg. Representatives, who are Francis Taber, Cornelius Howland,
and Amaziah Delano.

James Almy requests certif. on acct. Marriage James Almy having requested a Certificate to [illegible]
Monthly Meeting on account of marriage. Elisha
Thornton and William Tallman are appointed to take
the necessary care in the case, and report next month.

The Committee in the case of John West's Estate
Jno. West's Estate. again made a verbal report which not being conclusive, the
Friends now under appointment, with the addition of Seth
Russell and Elisha Thornton were requested to give
further attention to the subject, and authorised to bring
the business to a close, according to the best of their judg-
ment, or to report the then state of it to our next Monthly
Meeting, should they consider that most advisable.

1832. 7m.o At New Bedford Monthly Meeting; held 26th of 7mo. 1832.

Representatives — New Bedford; Lemuel Gifford, Joseph Howland — Longplain, Robert Brownell, Sands Wing — who are all present.

The Representatives appointed last month to attend the Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended.

Proportion Q. Mo. stock.

We are informed by a minute of the Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of Stock is Ninety-nine dollars.

Epistle from Y. Mo.

An Epistolary communication from our last Yearly Meeting, was received and read at this time to our edification and comfort. [For which see printed copy annexed.]

remov.l Certif. for James Thornton rec.d

A removal Certificate from Smithfield Mo. Meeting on behalf of James Thornton, is accepted.

Case of Geo. Tyson.

A minute of Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern & Western Districts, (dated 7th of 6mo. 1832.) informing us that George Tyson has been disowned by them as a Member of our religious Society — was received and read — and Joseph Davis is requested to inform him hereof, and report to our next monthly Meeting.

Jno. West's Estate balance rec.d

The Committee appointed to receive from the former Trustees of the Estate of John West, the balance remaining in their hands, and to pay the same over to the present Trustees, — report that they have accomplished it. They also presented a receipt from George Howland one of the present Trustees, for the amount received, viz. two hundred & seventy 31/100 Dollars. — Which is acceptable to this Meeting.

Complaint. Fred.k Allen

The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Frederick Allen having wholly neglected the attendance of our Meetings, has been visited on that account, and such advice given as was deemed applicable; and that as he still continues in this neglect, and gives no encouragement of again meeting with us, but manifests a preference for the Meetings of another denomination, they consider it best to lay the case before the Monthly Meeting. — William Tallman & Amaziah Delano, are appointed to visit him on this account; and report at a future Meeting.

James Almy.

A certificate on acc.t of marriage, directed to Pembroke Mo. Meeting, on behalf of James Almy, is approved.

Report of Boarding School Committee.

Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, embracing the Report of the Boarding School Committee, and minutes accompanying it, were received and read in this Meeting. [For which see printed copy annexed.]

Com. of our Mo. Meeting in conformity therewith.

And Abraham Davis, John R. Davis, Sands Wing, Lemuel Gifford & Elisha Thornton were, [in connection with the members of the general School Committee residing in this Monthly Meeting.] appointed a Committee, to whom Parents and others desirous of sending Children to the School, are requested to make seasonable application.

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 11th to the 15th inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1832.

To our several Quarterly, Monthly, and Preparative Meetings.

Dear Friends,

The reading of the answers to the Queries, received from our several Quarterly Meetings, has introduced our minds into a deep felt exercise in beholding the many and various departures from our profession, therein brought to view. And in particular we have lamented, the sorrowful want of faithfulness in the attendance of our religious Meetings.—When we consider the duty of assembling ourselves together for public worship to Almighty God, in the light of a public acknowledgment of our belief in Him, and in the gracious revelation of his will through his dear Son, our Lord, what vital importance does the performance of this duty assume. In a feeling of Gospel love, and of our responsibility to Him who hath called us to be a people, and in some measure, as we humbly trust, qualified us through his mercy to labor for his cause, let us revive for the serious and solemn consideration of our brethren in religious profession, that awakening language of our blessed Lord, when in that prepared body : "Also I say unto you, whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man confess before the angels of God : but he that denieth me before men, shall be denied before the angels of God." We are confirmed in the belief, that as the love of the things of time and the fleeting enjoyments of this world, shall be lessened among us, as the love of God shall take its place in our hearts, we shall be more concerned faithfully to perform this important duty, and in regularly assembling with our brethren, for public worship, and reverently waiting before Him, we shall graciously experience our strength in Him to be renewed, whereby we shall be enabled to withstand the assaults of temptation, and our souls be refreshed with his life giving presence. Let us then, we tenderly exhort, be more and more alive to the great importance of this solemn and interesting duty.

And as the love of God increases and abounds among us, love one unto another will also prevail. Bound together by the sacred ties of Gospel fellowship, our brethren will become exceedingly near to our best feelings, and that heavenly charity which suffereth long and is kind, will become more and more our covering. And O, that Friends every where were duly impressed with the necessity of preserving the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, and avoiding doubtful disputations, and seeking not to be wise above that which is written, humbly to believe in the all-important truths of the ever blessed Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, That God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him, should not perish, but have everlasting life ; that he came into the world, as testified in the Holy Scriptures ; that he went about doing good, and manifesting his Divine power for the good of men ; that he died for our sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us unto God ; that He rose again for our justification, and ever liveth to make intercession for us ; that he is God over all, blessed forever. These all-important truths, as we humbly seek to be established therein, will indeed cement us together, and enable us through faith, to bear unitedly our testimony to the mercy and goodness of our heavenly Father. Thus will true unity and religious fellowship be experienced.

And being thus established, how exceedingly precious will those testimonies which we are called upon to bear, become in our view. For, being measurably redeemed from the love of the world, we shall be concerned to seek the adorning of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price, rather than the vain ornaments of the world, and be preserved in the simplicity which becometh the Gospel of Christ.

The giving way to the temptation so abundantly offered by the press, in the present day, to what may be appropriately termed, *light reading*, we have been induced to believe, has had its influence in producing, in many instances, a deviation from the simplicity of our profession, not only in faith, but practice—indisposing the mind for serious reflection, giving it a disrelish for the perusal of more solid and useful works, and secretly, but gradually, undermining that firm reliance upon superior aid, which can alone sustain the mind, in the hour of trial and temptation, and rightly bear it up amid the many vicissitudes of time.

The practice of a daily reading of the Holy Scriptures, with our hearts turned unto Him, who can alone rightly open them to our understanding, and apply them effectually to the heart, has been feelingly brought before us. And as we reverently believe, that these invaluable writings, according to their own testimony, are able to make us wise unto salvation, through faith, which is in Jesus Christ, how exceedingly important that we neglect not this precious means, which in the mercy of God has been vouchsafed to us for our reproof, correction and instruction in righteousness. And we are confirmed in the belief, that as parents and heads of families are concerned daily to call around them the objects of their care, and with prayerful hearts for the divine blessing upon their endeavours, to read to them a portion of the sacred volume, allowing a space for silent introversion of soul to God, a great blessing will be experienced. The truths revealed in the Scriptures will become increasingly interesting and precious in our view, and in that of our children and dependents, and the ever blessed cause of truth and righteousness be furthered and promoted. We therefore recommend and tenderly exhort Friends to this practice, and greatly desire their encouragement therein.

And we fervently desire, that all in profession with us, may be renewedly stirred up to more faithfulness and watchfulness in the cause of Christ, remembering that the time is short, and that we are enjoined to work while the day lasts, for the night cometh wherein no man can work.

Signed on behalf of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. *Clerk.*

N. Bedford Monthly Mg.

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At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 10th to the 15th, inclusive, of the 6th mo. 1832.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, viz.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have, during the past year, superintended the Institution, and have cause to believe that it has been conducted in good degree as contemplated by Friends in its establishment. Meetings have been regularly kept up as heretofore. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and sixty-three.

The School has been continued under the care of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendents, with the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould. Moses A. Cartland, Pliny Earl, jun. and Jonathan Slocum have been employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Deborah Ramsdell, Mary Griscom, and Caroline Cartland, in the Girls'. Moses B. Lockwood and Isabella Horton have also been engaged as assistants, during a part of the year.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendent have been received and audited. The state of the Fund is such that the Committee think it safest to propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar, *six* months, free of expense, and that the price for Scholars generally be continued the same as last year.

The Committee believe it best to propose for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, the recommending to Friends to endeavour to send their children to the School, as nearly as may be at the following periods, viz. *at the time of our Yearly Meeting*, or in the *first week* of the *second, fifth, eighth* and *eleventh* months. And they would further propose, that children should not be sent for a less time than six months; unless under peculiar circumstances, the consent of the sub-committee be obtained for a less term.

Since our last Report, the department of the School for instruction in the Languages and some of the higher branches of Science has been commenced under the care of Samuel J. Gummere, whose services have been performed acceptably to this Committee. The terms for the admission of Scholars, who are members of our Yearly Meeting, into this department, are One hundred Dollars per annum, exclusive of Books and Stationary, and no Scholar is admitted for a less term than one year, nor until permission shall have been granted for such admission by the sub-committee.

In reviewing the state of the School for the past year, the Committee have cause to acknowledge with thankfulness, that the Family and Scholars have been generally preserved in health.

Signed by appointment, and on behalf of the School Committee, held at Providence, 5th month 4th, 1832, by

MOSES BROWN,
ELIZABETH WING.

[Which Report was referred to the consideration of a Committee composed of Friends from each of the Quarterly Meetings, who at a subsequent sitting reported, that they had carefully considered the propositions relative to a periodical admission of Scholars, and the requisition that children be sent to the School for a term not less than six months, (unless under peculiar circumstances,) and were united in the opinion, that the adoption of these propositions will contribute to the advantage of the School, and not injuriously affect the convenience of parents. —Which being read and considered, the foregoing Report of the Boarding School Committee, was in conformity therewith accepted, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.]

The subject of the School having again been revived, the Clerk was directed to annex to the Report of the Committee now to be sent down, the following extracts from advices approved by this Meeting, in 1825, viz.

"The School Committee, in the discharge of the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, have found it necessary from time to time to recur to the great object, which the Yearly Meeting itself, as well as the Friends who have contributed to the funds of the Institution, have had in view in the establishment of the School, and which they think cannot be better expressed than in the language which accompanied the bequest of one of its early friends and most liberal benefactors; that our children and youth "may receive a religious guarded education, free from the contaminating influence of the vain fashionable world, which leads young minds from the simplicity of the truth, and that meek and quiet spirit exhibited by our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whom we profess to follow."

It was in accordance with these views, that the Committee were induced, in the 2d month, 1819, soon after the School was in operation, to forward the following minute to the several Monthly Meetings, viz:

"It has appeared necessary, from experience derived since the opening of the Institution, that more general circumspection should be extended in sending children to the School. And to preserve the order necessary to carry the object of the Yearly Meeting into more complete effect, it is recommended that each Monthly Meeting appoint a few suitable friends to whom [seasonable] application may be made by Parents or Guardians of Children who are desirous of placing them at the School; that the Friends so appointed consider it their duty not only to enjoin that the children come in a plain dress, and in the use of the plain Scripture language, but that they are of good habits; and that they give a few lines to that import, for the information of the Superintendents and Instructors at the School.

The Committee now feel it to be their duty to recommend to the Monthly Meetings a greater extension of care to these objects, and that the appointment of such Committees be revived by them, to act in connection with the members of this Committee, if any, who may reside within the limits of each Monthly Meeting."

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

1832 7mo. We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right

[illegible] Hall denied. of membership to Sarah Hall.

Also with the same Meeting, in accepting a Removal

[illegible] Certif. Abigail Gifford &c. Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abigail Gifford, wife of Robert.

1832. 8mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 23d of 8mo 1832.

Representatives — New Bedford, Job Eddy, Barnabas Taber — Longplain, Seth C. Mitler, Abiel Dewolf — who are all present.

Geo. Tyson inform'd. The Friend appointed as by minute of last month to inform George Tyson of his being disowned as a member of our religious Society, by Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern and Western Districts reports, that he has given him this information. And the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to S. M. Mg.

First Day after noon Meetgs. (See minute of 4mo 1827) It is concluded that in future our first-day afternoon Meetings at New-Bedford commence at the 4th hour, till the time of the Monthly Meeting in the 9th month.

Sarah and Mary Hathy. denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Sarah Hathaway & Mary Hathaway, (daughters of the late Stephen Hathaway Jr.) who have wholly neglected the attendance of our own, and manifested a decided preference for the Meetings of another Society.

Removal Certif. for Ann Studley and Mercy Slade accepted. We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ann Studley, wife of Samuel. — Also in accepting a removal Certificate from the same Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mercy Slade.

Hannah C. Backhouse's visit. Our beloved friend Hannah Chapman Backhouse, of Great Britain, being now with us, satisfactory Certificates of the unity of her Friends with her Ministry and with her present religious engagements in this country, from the Monthly Meeting of Darlington, held in the 3d month, Quarterly Meeting of Durham held at Sunderland in the 4th and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London, in the 5th month, 1830, were read. — Her company and Gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us.

E. P. Kirkbride. Our friend Eliza P. Kirkbride, of Philadelphia companion to Hannah C. Backhouse has also been acceptably with us; and produced a satisfactory minute of the concurrence of her Friends in this engagement.

1832 9mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 27th of 9mo 1832.

Representatives — New Bedford, George Howland, [illegible] Gifford — Longplain, Abiel Dewolf, Sands Wing — who are all present.

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1832. 9mo. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d & 10th; from which a Summary was prepared, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives; who are Seth Russell, Abel Dewolf, and Joseph Davis.

Complaint. Gilb. R. Thornton. The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, "that Gilbert R. Thornton wholly neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings, and has been in the practice of frequenting places of amusement inconsistent with our religious profession. — He has been visited on these accounts, and not finding encouragement for further continuance of labour from them, they believe it right to lay the case before the Meeting." — Lemuel Gifford & Barnabas Taber are appointed to visit him on account of these deviations, and report at a future Meeting.

Eliza Grinnell denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Eliza Grinnell.

1832. 10mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 10mo. 1832.

Representatives — N. Bedford, William Tallman, Benjamin Swift — Longplain, Jeremiah Wood & Seth C. Miller; — who are all present except Jeremiah Wood, whose attendance, we are informed, is prevented by indisposition.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Rochester Meetings. The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, made the following report, viz.:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester, report, that they have continued, as way has opened for it, to visit those Meetings; and after deliberately considering the subject, now feel best satisfied to propose, that they be held another year, as heretofore, under the care of a Committee.

On behalf of the Committee,
New Bedford, Francis Taber,
10mo. 24. 1832. Ruth Davis."

which being considered, was, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting united with, and those Meetings continued, as they have heretofore been held, under the care of a Committee; — to which service we appoint, Francis Taber, Abraham Davis, Joseph Davis, Barnabas Taber, Sands Wing, Lemuel Gifford, Benjamin Swift, George W. Baker, Obadiah Davis, William Tallman — who are requested to report in the 10th month next.

Committee appointed.

The Committee appointed, as by minutes of 12mo. 1829, and 5th mo. last, to visit Abraham Howland, presented the following report, viz.:—

1832 10 mo

"To the Monthly Meeting. We have attended to our appointment in the case of Abraham Howland. He manifests a regard for the Society; but we have not found that engagement of mind in relation to our principles and testimonies that we have believed would warrant us in encouraging him to offer an acknowledgment for the deviation which was the subject of complaint. And now feel best satisfied to submit the case to the consideration of the Meeting

New Bedford.
10mo 18. 1832.

Perry Russell,
Abrm Shearman Jr
Joseph Davis"

Abrm Howland denied.

which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting deny him the right of membership, and Seth Russell is named to inform him thereof.

informed

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 7th mo last to visit Frederick Allen, made the following report viz. "We have attended to our appointment in the case of Frederick Allen, and find him in no way disposed to make satisfaction for past neglect of, nor any assurance of again attending our Meetings, & it is our opinion that further labour from us will be unavailing.

[since our appointment he has
married out of our Society.]

Wm Tallman
Amaziah Fetune

New Bedford, 10mo 25. 1832.

Fredk Allen denied.

which being read and considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and William Tallman is named to inform him hereof.

informed.

School for Scriptural Instructn propos'd & Com. appointed

The subject of instituting a School to be held on the First Day of the week, for the purpose of Scriptural instruction, having been opened in this Meeting, we appoint John R. Davis, Joseph Davis, Cornelius Howland, George Howland, John Howland, Jr. Wm C. Taber, Geo. H. Baker, Francis Taber, and Abrm Shearman, Junr to unite with a similar Committee of the Women's Meeting, in considering of the propriety of opening such a School, and to report their judgment thereon, at a future Meeting.

1832. 11 mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 11mo 1832

Representatives New Bedford: Elisha Thornton Joseph Davis Longplain, Isaac Hiller, Abraham Davis — who are all present except Isaac Hiller.

Clerks appointed

The time for which the Clerks were appointed being expired, Abraham Shearman, Junr is appointed Clerk, and William C. Taber, Assistant Clerk for the year ensuing, or till another appointment

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1832. 11mo The Queries were read, with Answers to the 1st, 2d, and 10th; and a Summary thereof, directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives — to which service we appoint Lemuel Gifford, Barnabas Taber, and Amaziah Delano.

Scriptural School. & Report of Committee. The Committee appointed last month, on the subject of a School for Scriptural Instruction, made the following report; viz. "Most of the Committee appointed for that purpose, have conferred together on the subject of the proposed School for Scriptural Instruction, and are united in the belief, that such a School, if rightly conducted, would be of advantage to the Children of Friends and such others as it might be thought best to admit. — They would therefore propose for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting, that a joint Committee of Men and Women Friends be appointed to select suitable Teachers, and if they find such as are willing to render their services in this way, — to proceed, — as way in other respects, may open for it, to commence the School, under such regulations, as in their judgment will best promote the object in view — The Committee to have the general oversight of the School when commenced, and to report to the Meeting at the close of the ensuing year, or sooner, should occasion require.

On behalf of the Committee,

New-Bedford,
11mo 20, 1832.

Abrm. Shearman, Jun.
Susan Howland."

accepted & new Committee which being read and considered, was united with by this and the Women's Meeting. — And Barnabas Taber, Obadiah Davis, Joseph Davis, Abraham Shearman, Jun. George Howland, Francis Taber, John Howland, Jun. Sands Wing, George W. Baker, Jeremiah Wood, and John R. Davis were appointed a Committee on the part of this Meeting, for the purposes stated in the Report.

Complaint. Thos. A. Greene The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, "that Thomas A. Greene has been in the practice of attending Meetings appointed or held by those who have separated from, or are not in unity with our religious Society. That they have had opportunities with him on this account, in which he manifested a preference for such Meetings, and gave no encouragement of conforming to the advice of our Yearly Meeting in relation to this subject: — that since their last interview with him, he has again attended Meetings of this description, and has, in other respects given evidence, that he is fixed in his present views. — And, — that after deliberately considering the case, they are led to the conclusion, that further labour from them will not be productive of any useful results." —

1832. 11mo Cornelius Howland and Abraham Davis are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting in-

Complaints. form, "that Francis S. Hathaway has for a considerable time past wholly neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings,

Francis S. Hathaway and is entirely out of plainness." —— Amaziah Delano and Jeruiah Wood are appointed to visit him, & report at a future Meeting.

& James Gifford. The Overseers of the same Meeting inform, that James Gifford has married out of the order of our Society. — Sands Wing and Abraham Davis are appointed to visit him, and report at a future Meeting.

Peleg Howland requests Remov.l Certify. Peleg Howland requests a removal Certificate for himself and Wife, to Providence Monthly Meeting. John R. Davis, Abel Dewolf and Benjamin Taber are requested to take the necessary care in the case, & report at a future Meeting.

Treasury. George Howland, Seth Russell, & Jno. Howland Jr. are appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts; consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the service of the ensuing year; propose a Treasurer, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Addn.s to Committees cases of W. Brayton & J.W. Allen. Lemuel Gifford is added to the Committee formerly appointed in the case of William Brayton. — And George Howland in addition to the Committee in the case of Jonathan W. Allen.

1832. 12mo. (At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 12mo. 1832.)

Representatives. New Bedford, Seth Russell, Wm. R. Taber. Longplain; Seth C. Hiller, Sands Wing, who are all pres.t

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Mo. as Representatives, report, that they all attended.

Complaint. Lawr.ce Grinnell. The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, "that Lawrence Grinnell, who according to the Discipline, has a right of membership with us, does not attend our Meetings, and having been visited on this account, gives no encouragement of attending them; but manifests a preference for the Meetings of another denomination." — Geo. W. Baker and Joseph Davis, are appointed to extend further labour, and report at a future Meeting.

[illegible] case of G. R. Thornton The Committee, appointed as by minute of 6th mo. last, to visit Gilbert R. Thornton, made the following Report viz. "To the Mo. Meeting. The Committee in the case of Gilbert R. Thornton, report, that he has been called upon several times for an interview, which he finally declines. Therefore conclude we can be of no further use in the case. Which we submit to the judgment of the Mo. Meeting.

Benjn. Taber
Lemuel Gifford

12mo. 21st 1832.

1832. 12mo. —— which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrenc
G. R. Thornton of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; and
denied. (informed) Lemuel Gifford is named to inform him thereof, & report next month.

Minute for Albert Shearman rec.d A certificate of residence, from R. Island Mo. Meeting,
on behalf of Albert Sherman, a Minor, is accepted.

The Committee appointed last month, to examine an
Settlem.t of Treas.rs acc.ts settle the Treasurer's accounts, and for other purposes, made the
following Report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have this day settled with the Treasurer of the
Monthly Meeting, and find a balance due him of $\$14.\frac{56}{100}$
We recommend to the Mo. Meeting to raise Six hundred dollars
for the expenses of the Meeting the ensuing year. We propose
William C. Taber for Treasurer. Geo. Howland,
12mo. 19, 1832. John Howland, Jr"

which being read and considered, was acceptable to the Meeting.
Treas.r appointed. In conformity therewith, Wm. C. Taber was appointed Treas-
urer for the year ensuing. It was concluded to raise $600, as
$600. to be rais.d proposed. And George Howland, Jr. John Howland, Jun.r
Joseph S. Tillinghast, Abraham L. Davis, Amaziah L. Delano,
and Sands Wing were appointed to collect the same, and
produce the Treasurer's receipts therefor when accomplished.

The Treasurer was requested to pay to the Quar-
terly Meeting's Treasurer, our proportion of Stock, when in funds.

Alice Edw.ds late Killey; denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the
right of membership to Alice Edwards, late Killey.

J. & H. C. Back-house attended. Our beloved friends Jonathan & Hannah C. Back-
house, of Great Britain, have been acceptably with us, at the
present time.

1833. 1st Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 1st Mo. 1833.

Representatives —— New Bedford: Wm. Tallman, Benj.n
Swift — Longplain, Sands Wing, Cornelius Howland; who
are all present.

$600 raised. The Committee appointed last month to receive sub-
scriptions for the use of this Meeting, presented the Treasurer's
receipt for six hundred dollars, the sum proposed to be rais.d

The Treasurer informed that he had paid to the
Quarterly Meeting's Treasurer, our proportion of that Mg's stock

G. F. Barnard & L. Taber, j.r marriage propos. George F. Barnard & Lydia Taber, jun.r appeared in
this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of
taking each other in marriage. Seth Russell & Geo. W. Baker
were appointed a Committee to make the necessary inquiry
relative to Geo. F. Barnard's clearness to proceed therein, and
report next month.

The Committee, appointed, as by minute of 11th mo. 1831.
to visit Jonathan W. Allen, made the following report;
viz.

Jon^a W. Allen denied "The Committee in the case of Jonathan W. Allen, have attended to their appointment, and are of opinion that no change for the better has taken place on either of the grounds of complaint, and it is our belief that it will be best to make a minute of denial against him; which we submit to the Meeting.

New Bedford, 1st m^o 23. 1833. — Wm Tolman, Reuben Russell."

formation reported, 2d mo. — which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Wm R. Taber is named to inform him hereof.

Remov. Certif. Peleg & Mary Howland granted. A removal Certificate directed to Providence Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Peleg & Mary Howland is approved by this and the Women's Meeting.

Remov. Certif. for C. R. Tucker, rec^d. A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Charles R. Tucker, is accepted.

The Committee appointed as by minute of 11th month last, to visit Thomas A. Greene, —— report.

Tho^s A. Greene denied. "That they have made him a visit, which he received kindly, but still thinks he shall continue to attend those separate Meetings when opportunity presents for it: that he has good unity with these Meetings, and does not approve of the minute our Yearly Meeting made on that subject; and they think that any further labour at present will not be useful, which they submit to the Meeting.

(Signed) Cornelius Howland
1 m^o 24. 1833. Abraham Davis."

which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and Barnabas Taber is named to inform him hereof.

Com. to name Overseers. Joseph Davis, Cornelius Howland, and John R. Davis, are appointed a Committee to consider of, and propose at a future Meeting, the names of suitable Friends to serve as Overseers of the Monthly Meeting for the year ensuing.

R.C. for M. Swift, granted. A removal Certificate directed to Swanzey Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Mary Swift, is approved in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

min. of Y. M. read. "Extracts from the Minutes" of our last Yearly Meeting, printed by its direction, were read at this time.

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833. 2d M^o. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 28th of 2d M^o 1833.

Representatives. New Bedford, Reuben Russell, Barnabas Taber. — Longplain, Amaziah Delano, Lemuel Wood. — who are all present, except Amaziah Delano, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Committee appointed last month to make inquiry relative to George F. Barnard's clearness to proceed in

1833. 2d Mo. marriage with Lydia Taber, junr. report that they find no objection to their proceeding. — Consent of surviving Parents was

G. F. Barnard & L. Taber's marriage allow.d — laid before the Meeting. And they were allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society. Abraham Shearman, junr. & Lemuel Gifford were appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Mo. Mtg. Overseers appoint.d — Francis Taber, Abraham Shearman, junr. Barnabas Taber, Perry Russell, Amaziah Delano, Abraham Davis, and Seth C. Hiller, being proposed by the Committee named last month, were appointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Remov.l Certif. for W. W. Macey rec.d — A removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of New-York, on behalf of Wm. W. Macey, is accepted.

William W. Macey having requested a Certificate to Salem Monthly Meeting, on account of marriage; Seth Russell and Reuben Russell are requested to extend the necessary care in the case, and report next month.

The Committee appointed as by minute of 11th mo. 1831. to visit James D. Butler, made the following report, viz.

James D. Butler denied. — "To the Monthly Meeting. — Agreeable to appointment we have had several opportunities with James D. Butler on the subject of his deviations, and although he appears to have a regard for Society, yet he does not manifest that engagement of mind to be diligent in the attendance of our Meetings, and to conform to the discipline in other respects, as would be desirable. Concluding that further labour will be unavailing, we submit the case to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Barn.s Taber,
Benjamin Swift."

which being read and considered, we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; and Timothy Akin is named to inform him hereof.

The Committee appointed as by minute of 12th mo.

Lawr.ce Grinnell denied. last, to visit Lawrence Grinnell, made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — Agreeably to our appointment we have had an opportunity with Lawrence Grinnell. — He gave us no encouragement of attending our religious meetings, but prefers attending those of another Society. — We are therefore united in the persuasion that a longer continuance of the case will not be useful — Which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

N. Bedford, 2mo. 28, 1833.

Geo. W. Baker,
Joseph Davis."

which being read and considered, it is our conclusion no longer to consider him a member of our religious Society, with which the Women's Meeting concurs, and Francis Taber, junr. is named to inform him hereof.

1833. 2d Mo. The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that William Tallman jun. had married contrary to the order of

Complaints our Society with one who is not in profession with us; Lemuel

Wm Tallman Jr. Gifford and Perry Russell are appointed to visit him on this account and report at a future Meeting.

& The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform

Benj. C. Taber. that Benjamin C. Taber had married out of the order of our Society. Sands Wing and Shadrach Davis are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal

Remov. Certif. for Daughters Certificate from New York Monthly Meeting, on behalf of

of Wm W. Macey Anna H. Lydia S. and Elizabeth H. Macey, daughters of

rec.d William W. Macey.

The Committee who have had the oversight of Fu-

Report of Com. nerals and care of Burial Grounds, presented the following

for oversight of Report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting

Funerals, "The Committee appointed to have the oversight of

and care of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds, report, that we have

Burial Grds endeavoured to give attention thereto, in conformity with the

rec.d minute adopted as the sense of the Meeting on those subjects; particularly that part which relates to granting permission for interment of persons not members of our religious Society. We know of none, Friends or others, who have been

& prevailed upon to remove stones previously placed there; but in several instances they have been settled down nearly level with the ground; and in one case stones have been erected, without the knowledge of the Committee, since our last report.

On behalf, of the Committee,

New-Bedford, 2mo. 1833. Wm Tallman"

Committee which was read and considered; and the Friends now under ap-

continued. pointment were continued in that service for another year — and then to report.

1833. 3 Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 28th of 3mo. 1833

Representatives New Bedford; William Tallman Elisha Thornton. Longplain, Nicholas Davis, Sands Wing — who are all present.

Queries & Answ.rs The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers, from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives,

Repr.s to Q. M. who are, Lemuel Gifford, Amaziah Delano, & Joseph Davis.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of

G. T. Barnard's marriage George T. Barnard & Lydia Taber's Marriage, report that it was orderly conducted, & the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

The Committee appointed last month, presented a

Certif. on acc.t marriage Wm W. Macey Certificate on account of marriage directed to Salem M. M. on behalf of William W. Macey, which was approved.

1833. 3mo.

This Meeting, after solid consideration, and with the unity of the Womens Meeting, has approved the public Ministry of Joseph Davis, and refered the same to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting.

Joseph Davis' Ministry approv.

Complaints.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that George Russell has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not in profession with us.— Perry Russell and William Tallman are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Geo. Russell.

The Overseers also inform, that William Hussey, 2d. has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not in profession with us.— George W. Baker and Reuben Russell are appointed to visit him, and report at a future Meeting.

Wm. Hussey, 2d.

&

The Overseers further inform, that James H. Tallman has for a considerable time past, much neglected the attendance of our Meetings, on which account labour was early extended; but that their efforts to obtain an interview with him, of latter time, have proved unavailing; and that he has recently married contrary to the order of our Society.— Benjn. Taber and Job Eddy are appointed to visit him, and report at a future Meeting.

J. H. Tallman

The Committee appointed, as by Minute of 11th month last, to visit James Gifford, made the following Report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting.— We have visited James Gifford agreeable to our appointment, and he does not appear disposed to make satisfaction for his procedure in marriage out of the order of our Society; and was willing Friends should act in the case as they thought best.— We think further labour from us will not be of use; which we submit to the Meeting.

Abraham Davis,
Sands Wing."

Fairhaven, 3mo. 2d. 1833.

James Gifford denied.

Which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership— and Thomas A. Howland is named to inform him hereof.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Lydia Ann Anthony, late Hathaway.

Lydia Ann Anthy. denied.

1833.— 4 Mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 4mo. 1833.—

Representatives— New Bedford, Lemuel Gifford, Elisha Thornton— Longplain, Zeruiah Wood and Sands Wing, who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended, with the exception of Lemuel Gifford, whose attendance was prevented by indisposition.

A certificate on account of marriage from Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of William A. Chase, was read & accepted.

1833. 4 mo. William H. Chase and Elizabeth Howland appeared

W. H. Chase and E. Howland in this Meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. — They have consent of Parents to proceed therein.

Stephen Allen having requested a removal Certificate for himself and Family, to Westport Monthly Meeting, Joseph Davis and Elisha Thornton are appointed to extend the necessary care in the case & report at a future Meeting.

Wm. Hussey denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of last month, to visit William Hussey 2d produced the following report, viz.

"That they have had an opportunity with him, at which he expressed a wish to be continued a member of Society, but was not disposed to make any acknowledgement for his deviation in marriage: — which they submit to the Monthly Meeting."

(Signed,) Geo. W. Baker.
4 mo. 18. 1833. Reuben Russell.

which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, deny him the right of membership — and George W. Baker is named to inform him thereof, when there is opportunity for it, he being now absent.

J. H. Tallman denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of last month, to visit James H. Tallman, produced the following report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

Agreeable to appointment we have visited James H. Tallman on the subject of complaint, but do not find an engagement to make that satisfaction the case requires, neither in respect to his deviation in marriage, or his non attendance of our Meetings. Which we submit to the Meeting.

Barnabas Taber,
Job Eddy."

Which being read and considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting; we deny him the right of membership, and Job Eddy is requested to inform him thereof.

1833. 5 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d. of 5th mo. 1833.

Representatives N. Bedford, Wm. Tallman, John Howland, jr. — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Amos Kelley, — who are all present.

W. H. Chase, E. Howland's marriage allowed. William H. Chase and Elizabeth Howland having in our last Monthly Meeting, declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage; and nothing appearing to obstruct their proceeding therein; they are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of our Society; and John Howland, jun. & Seth Russell are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Remo. Certif. — S. Allen & family granted. The Committee appointed last month, presented a Removal Certificate directed to Westport Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Stephen Allen & family, — which was read & approved.

1833. 5 mo.

Tho.s K. Robeson denied.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Thomas K. Robeson, who agreeably to the Discipline, has a right of membership with us, does not attend our religious Meetings; that an interview requested with him on this account was readily granted; but no encouragement given of meeting with us in future; and no desire manifested to be continued in membership. .... Which being deliberately considered, it is the conclusion of this - with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, - no longer to consider him a member of our religious Society; - and Seth Russell is named to inform him hereof.

Remov.l Certif. G. E. Stanton &c.

A removal Certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of Giles E. Stanton is accepted.

Overseers of Poor appointed.

The Friends now under appointment as Overseers of the Poor, [viz.t William Tallman, John Howland jr. Job Eddy, Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, and Amaziah Delano.] are continued in that service for the year ensuing, or till another appointm.t

Recorder appointed.

George W.m Baker is appointed Recorder for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Sarah Gifford's visit.

Our esteemed friend Sarah Gifford attended this Meeting, with a copy of a minute from Scipio Monthly Meeting held 17th of last month. - Her company & religious services have been acceptable to us.

1833. 6 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 6 mo. 1833

Representatives - New Bedford, Reuben Russell, Barnabas Taber - Longplain, Elnathan Delano, Ariel Bellows. - Who are all present.

The Clerk being absent, George W. Baker is appointed Clerk for the day.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d & 10th. & A summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, to which service we appoint Perry Russell, Abraham Davis, and Benj.n Swift.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of William H. Chase & Elisabeth Howland report that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Case of Geo. Russell.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 3d mo. last to visit George Russell, produced the following report, viz. "We have attended to our appointment in the case of George Russell; and altho' he readily granted us the opportunity, and appeared well disposed towards Friends, yet we see no present prospect of his conforming to what Discipline requires, we therefore submit the case to the Meeting.

New Bedford 6 mo. 27, 1833. -

William Tallman,
Perry Russell."

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,—Sixth Month, 1833.

The Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was laid before the Meeting, and after a free discussion of its contents, the propositions therein submitted for consideration, were agreed to, and the Report accepted; and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,
ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING,
To be held on Rhode-Island in the Sixth Month next.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have during the past year, given attention to the various concerns of the Institution, and that they have been conducted, in good degree to their satisfaction. Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony has been preserved.

The average number of Scholars during the year, has been one hundred and seventy-two.—The School is continued under the immediate care of Enoch and Lydia Breed, as Superintendents, in which capacity they are assisted by Stephen and Hannah Gould.—Moses A Cartland, Pliny Earle, jun. and Jonathan Slocum, are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School; and Deborah Ramsdell, Mary H. Griscom, Caroline Cartland, and Martha Barker, in the Girls'.—The latter of whom, for six months, rendered gratuitous service to the Institution.—Samuel J. Gummere continues to have charge of the department for Languages, &c.

It having long been believed by the Committee, that the School might be improved, and its advantages to the Children greatly enhanced, by having some person employed to superintend its literary concerns, who, by his experience in the business of teaching, and by his acquirements, would be qualified to render advice to the Teachers, to examine the Scholars in their several studies, and to extend an immediate supervisory care over every department of the School.—With this belief, in the 12th month last, our friend John Griscom, from New-York, was introduced into the Institution, and the services he has rendered in the manner above specified, and by lecturing on different subjects, have been satisfactory to us, and we believe have tended in various ways to the essential improvement of the Scholars.

By settling the accounts, it appears that at the present prices for board and tuition, the income will not meet the expenditures of the School.—The Committee after maturely weighing the subject, have concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting; that after the first of eighth month next, members of Society, of this Yearly Meeting, be received for fifteen dollars per quarter; that those who are not members of Society, but who have one or both parents members, be received for twenty-two and a half dollars per quarter; and should any who are not thus connected with Friends be received, that the price be thirty dollars per quarter; that to those who are admitted into the School for Languages, &c. and that to members of other Yearly Meetings, the price be continued as heretofore;—And that the privilege of sending one child, six months, free of expense, be extended to each Monthly Meeting, as last year. Although by this arrangement, the expense to parents who place their children in this Institution will be a little augmented, still the Committee have confidence in believing that there will be ample remuneration in the increased advantages the School now presents for the improvement of the Scholars.

In the seventh month of last year, in consequence of the appearance of the Cholera in our country, and the effect produced upon the minds of the children by the approach of this fearful malady, it was deemed most prudent, under the advisement of the Meeting for Sufferings, to vacate the School for a season. It was not considered best to re-assemble the scholars until the tenth month, when the School was again opened, and those who had left generally returned.

Although during the past year the visitations of sickness and death have been many in our country, and we have not wholly escaped, yet we feel bound thankfully to commemorate the preservation that has been extended to us by Him, from whom are all our sure mercies.

Signed by direction, and on behalf of the Committee, by
WILLIAM JENKINS, *Clerk.*

Yearly Meeting Boarding School,
Providence, 5th mo. 3d, 1833.

— which being considered: we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership and Perry Russell is named to inform him thereof.

Report of Boarding School Comm.ee

The Report of the Boarding School Committee made to our last Yearly Meeting was received & read: [For which see printed copy annexed.]

Ch.s R. Tucker

Charles R. Tucker having requested a Certificate to Weare Monthly Meeting, on account of marriage, Jn.o Howland and Elisha Thornton are requested to take the necessary care in the case, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

M. Ratcliffs visit,

Our beloved friend Mildred Ratcliff attended this Meeting, with Certificates from Westland Monthly Meeting, Washington County, held 23.d of 1st month, and of Redstone Quarterly Meeting, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, held at Redstone, 2d of 2d. month, 1833. Her company & religious services have been acceptable to us.

Companions to M. Ratcliff

Our friends George & Ruth Smith, companions to Mildred Ratcliff have been acceptably with us, and produced Certificates of the concurrence of their Friends in this engagement.

remov.l Certif. M. P. H. Macey rec.d

A removal Certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Miriam P. H. Macey, wife of William W. Macey, is accepted.

1833. 7m.o — 1. —

At New-Bedford Monthly, held 25th of 7th month, 1833.

Representatives — New-Bedford, W.m Tallman, Caleb Shearman — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Wing Howland — who are all present.

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Representatives, report that they all attended.

$99. Quarterly Mg. Stock.

We are informed by a minute of the Quarterly that our proportion of the Stock proposed to be raised by that Meeting, is Ninety-nine Dollars.

Ch. R. Tucker Certif. on acc.t marriage

A certificate on account of marriage, directed to Weare Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Charles R. Tucker, (prepared by the Committee appointed last month, is approved.

Ed.d W. Howl.d

Edward W. Howland having requested a Certificate on account of marriage, to Nine Partners M.o Meeting George W. Baker and Joseph Davis are requested, to take the necessary care in the case, & report next month.

Remov.l Certif. for P. Wing rec.d

A removal Certificate from Sandwich M.o Meeting, on behalf of Presbury Wing, a Minor, is accepted.

for E. H. Chase granted

A removal Certificate directed to Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of Elizabeth H. Chase is approved; in conjunction with the Women's Meeting.

Susan Smith denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership in our Society, to Susan Smith now resident at Baltimore; she having united with another Society.

1833. 7mo.

Ruth Davis proposes to visit families of R. Island Mo. Mg

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis, weightily opened in this Meeting, a concern that has for some time past rested on her mind, to perform a religious visit to the families of Friends of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting. —— Which being solidly considered, the unity & sympathy of Friends with her in this concern was expressed; and she was left at liberty to pursue her prospect, as truth may open the way, being a Minister in unity with us.

Abrm. Davis & Wife propose to accompy Ruth Davis.

Our friends Abraham Davis, and his Wife, Abigail, having proposed to accompany our friend Ruth Davis, in the above visit, they are left at liberty to pursue their prospect herein —— Abraham being a member in good esteem with us, and his Wife a minister in unity.

And the Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing them with Minutes embracing the purport of the above.

1833. 8 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 8mo. 1833

Representatives — New Bedford; Job Eddy, Weston Howland — Longplain; Amaziah Delano, Sands Wing — who are all present.

B. F. Tripp & M. A. Dillingm.

Benjamin F. Tripp and Mary-Ann Dillingham appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage — Daniel Davis and Sands Wing are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Benjamin's clearness to proceed therein; and report next month.

Remov. Certif. Abigail Gifford.

A removal Certificate directed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Abigail Gifford, wife of Robert, is approved in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

Clother Gifford & family

We unite with the Womens Meeting, in accepting a removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in Westport, on behalf of Clother Gifford & family. — [viz. his wife Priscilla, and their children Ezra & William W.]

Job Otis & family Certif. requested.

Job Otis having requested a removal Certificate for himself, and family, to the Monthly Meeting of Scipio, State of New-York; — Cornelius Howland and Abraham Shearman, junr. are requested to unite with a Committee of the Womens Meeting, in taking the necessary care in the case; and to report at a future Meeting.

Edw. W. Howld.

A certificate on account of marriage, directed to NinePartners Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Edward W. Howland, is approved.

Complaint D. Coffin.

The following Complaint from the Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting, respecting David Coffin, was received, viz.

To

1833 8 mo

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"David Coffin who has long been deficient in the due attendance of our religious Meetings, has of latter time wholly withdrawn from them. He has also been in the practice of attending Meetings of a separate character. — Labour has been heretofore extended in the case; and in an opportunity recently had with him, he did not give encouragement of again attending our Meetings. Under these circumstances the Overseers believe it to be their duty to lay the case before the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford, 8 mo 14, 1833."

Seth Russell and Perry Russell were appointed to visit him on those accounts, and report at a future Meeting.

B. C. Taber denied.

The Committee appointed as by minute of 2d month last, to visit Benjamin C. Taber, made the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — Agreeable to our appointment we have visited Benjamin C. Taber. He received us respectfully, but manifested no disposition of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his marrying out of the order of our Society, — but rather a choice to be dismissed from our religious Society.

Shadrach Davis.

Fairhaven, 8 mo 14th, 1833. Isaac Wing."

— Which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership and Aseli Dewolf is named to inform him hereof.

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9 mo 1833.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 26th of 9 mo 1833.

Representatives. — New Bedford, William Tallman, Seth Russell. — Longplain, Amaziah Delano, Wing Howland. — Who are all present.

tif. rec'd for R. L. Holloway

A certificate on account of marriage from [illegible] Monthly Meeting, Ohio, on behalf of Robert L. Holloway, is accepted.

th R. Akin & Roby Taber

Seth R. Akin and Roby Taber, appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. — Reuben Russell and George W. Baker are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Seth's clearness to proceed therein, and report next month.

L. Holloway & Abby Taber

Robert L. Holloway and Abby Taber also appeared and made a declaration of their intentions of marriage.

ries & Answ. & c. Sumy to Q. Meeting

The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d, and 10th, from which a summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are John K. Davis, Barn.d Taber and Joseph Davis.

1833. 9mo.

B. F. Tripp & Mary Ann Dillingham's marriage allow.d

Benjamin F. Tripp and Mary-Ann Dillingham having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaratio of their intentions of taking each other in marriage; and they having consent of surviving Parents, and appearing, on inquiry made by the Committee appointed for that purpos clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriag according to the established order of our Society. — And Sands Wing and John R. Davis are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report next month.

A Meeting is appointed to be held in Friends' Meeting House at Longplain, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of 2d day next, for the accomplishment of the aforesaid marriag

Complaint. Jethro Coffin.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform; "that Jethro Coffin has, for a long time been deficient in the due attendance of our religious Meetings; and has of latter time wholly withdrawn from them; and has also been in the practice of attending Meetings of a separate character; and that labour having been from time to time extended; and no encouragement being received that he will again meet with us, they consider it seasonable to lay the case before the Meeting." — George W. Baker and William R. Slaver were appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Complaint. Alex. Howl.d

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform, that Alexander Howland has married out of the order of our Society, with one who is a Member. — Daniel Davis and Sands Wing were appointed to visit him on this account, & report at a future Meeting.

Certif. rec.d for Rebecca Howland.

A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Rebecca Howland, (wife of Gilbert,) is accepted, in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of last month, to visit David Coffin, made the following Repor viz.

"New Bedford, 9mo. 26, 1833.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — We have attended to our appointment in the case of David Coffin. — He gave us no encouragement of attending our Meetings; and we are of opinion that any further labour would not be useful. Which we submit to the Meeting.

Seth Russell.
Perry Russell."

David Coffin denied.

Which being read and considered; and the Women's Meeting uniting therein, we deny him the right of membership; and Job Eddy is named to inform him hereof.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of 8. Mo. last to visit Wm. Tallman, jun.r, produced the following Report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment, we had an opportunity with William Tallman jun. on account of his outgoing in marriage; and although he manifested some regard for our Society, there did not appear to us any prospect ~~that~~ of his conforming to the requisitions of our Discipline in such cases; we therefore submit the case to the Meeting.

Perry Russell,
New Bedford, 9 mo 26. 1833. Samuel Gifford."

W. Tallman Jr denied. Which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and William C. Taber is named to inform him hereof.

Caroline Wilbur, late Howland, denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Caroline Wilbur, late Howland.

rtif. for Saml Gifford, recd. A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Samuel Gifford, is accepted.

Certif for Albert Swift return'd. A removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Albert Swift having been laid before this Meeting, we are informed that he has recently married out of the order of our Society; and that he neglects the attendance of our Meetings which being considered, the Clerk was directed, (with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting,) to return said Certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, with a copy of this minute.

Adjournment of Mo. Mg. It is concluded, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, to adjourn this Meeting for two weeks, viz. to the close of the Meeting for worship to be held at New-Bedford, on 5th day, the 10th of the ensuing month, with a view to the more early accomplishment of the marriage of Robert S. Holloway and Abby Taber.

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting, held by adjournment,
10th of 10th month. 1833

Representatives present, except one from New Bedford Preparative Meeting.

Robert S. Holloway & Abby Taber having at the Mo. Meeting of which this is an adjournment, made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they having consent of Parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of our Society; and Abm Shearman jun and George W. Baker are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

A Meeting is appointed to be held at this House, tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, for the accomplishment of said marriage.

1833. 10m: — At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 10th mo. 1833.

Representatives — New-Bedford, Barnabas Taber, Daniel Butler — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Zeruiah Wood, — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended.

S. R. Akin & Robi Taber's marriage allow'd.

The Committee appointed last month to make inquiry relative to Seth R. Akin's clearness to proceed in marriage with Robi Taber, report that he appears to be clear to proceed therein. Consent of surviving Parents was laid before the Meeting, — and they were allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society. Wm C. Taber and Abraham Shearman, jun. were appointed to have the oversight thereof, & report next month.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Benjamin H. Tripp and Mary Ann Dillingham's marriage, report that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Robert S. Holloway and Abby Taber's marriage, made a similar report.

Rochester Meetings

The Committee appointed in the 10th mo. last, to visit the Meetings at Rochester produced the following Report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

"We your Committee appointed to attend the Meetings at Rochester report that we have, as way has opened, attended those Meetings; and although under some discouragement, yet on viewing the subject, are united in judgment that it will be best, to continue them another year as heretofore, under the care of a Committee.

On behalf of the Committee,
Joseph Davis,
New-Bedford, 10mo 23, 1833. Mary Card."

— Which being considered, was, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, united with, and those Meetings continued as they have heretofore been held, under the care of the Committee now under appointment, with the exception of our late friend Obadiah Davis, deceased, [viz. Francis Taber, Abraham Davis, Joseph Davis, Barnabas Taber, Sands Wing, Lemuel Gifford, Benjamin Swift, Geo. W. Baker, Wm Tallman,] and the addition of Amaziah Delano, John R. Davis, Abraham Shearman, jun. Wm R. Taber, & Jno. Howland, jr. — who are requested to report in the 10th mo. next.

Committee

Removal Certif. J. Otis & fam'y

A removal Certificate directed to Scipio Monthly Meeting, State of New-York, on behalf of Job Otis & family, is approved.

1833 10 mo

Our friends Ruth Davis, and Abraham and Abigail Davis, her companions in her late visit to the families of Friends of Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, returned at this time the minutes granted them in the 7th month last accompanied with satisfactory indorsements of said Monthly Meeting.

R. Davis certif. return.

The Committee appointed, as by minute of last Monthly Meeting to visit Jethro Coffin, produced the following report. "To the Monthly Meeting.

"We your Committee appointed to visit Jethro Coffin report. That we have visited him and find his mind so fully made up on the subjects of the complaint that we think further labour from us will not be useful; which we submit to the Meeting.

Jethro Coffin denied.

Geo. W. Baker.
10 mo. 23d. 1833. William R. Taber.

Which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and John Howland, jun. is named to inform him thereof.

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The following Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, being received and read, viz.

Extracts from Minutes of Y. Meetg.

"Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England.—
Sixth Month. 1833.

"A concern for the more guarded & religious education of the children of Friends, and for the establishment of Libraries of Friends Books in the several Monthly Meetings, having been revived in this Meeting, and claimed its consideration; a lively interest was felt in regard to these subjects.

Libraries

"The attention of Friends was earnestly desired to the concern of establishing, in the several Mo. Meetings one or more Libraries of the standard works of our Society, that Friends may at all times have access thereto, to the end that the consistency, truth & harmony of our Christian principles being known, the minds of Friends may become more & more established in them, and the unity of faith and doctrine which it so much becomes us to inculcate, may more and more abound.

Schools.

"The provisions of our Discipline with respect to Education and Schools for the children of Friends, were recommended to be revived in our Subordinate Meetings, & put in practice, wherever Friends' circumstances will admit.—

"And the Clerk was directed to forward copies of this minute to our several Quarterly & Monthly Meetings"

Discipline.

"It was recommended, that all Certificates of Removal issued by our Monthly Meetings, be signed by the Clerks of both the Men's & Womens Meetings — And that this conclusion be entered in our books of Discipline. — Which the Clerk was directed to forward, as above. — "From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting.

A. Sherman, jun. Clk.

1833. 10mo. Committee on Library & Schools. Abraham Shearman, jun. Joseph Davis, Geo. W. Baker, Sands Wing, John R. Davis, William C. Taber, John Howland, jun. Daniel Davis, and Seth C. Hiller, are appointed to take into consideration the subjects of the establishment of Libraries and Schools, as therein recommended; and report at a future Meeting.

Discipline. Abraham Shearman, jun. & Sands Wing were appointed to have the recommendation relative to the signature of Removal Certificates, inserted in the Books of Discipline belonging to this Meeting, & report when accomplished.

Remov. Certif. Mary Hatch. A removal Certificate, directed to Scipio Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Mary Hatch, is approved.

The Committee appointed to visit Wm. Brayton, as by minutes of 2mo. 1830. & 11mo. 1832; produced the following report, viz. "To the Monthly Meeting.

Wm. Brayton denied. The Committee in the case of William Brayton report, that since their appointment, no opportunity has offered for an interview with him. He has a family at Nantucket, but they cannot learn that he has scarcely been there, being engaged in a sea-faring life from other Ports; and they do not see that they can be usefully continued.

Wm. Howland
New Bedford. Abm. Parker
9mo. 21. 1833. Lemuel Gifford.

which being considered; and the Women's Meeting concurring therein, we deny him the right of membership; & William W. Macy is named to inform him hereof, when opportunity offers for it.

1833. 11mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 28th of 11mo. 1833.

Representatives. New Bedford: William C. Taber, Seth Russell. Longplain, Clothier Gifford, Sands Wing who are all present except Clothier Gifford; for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, with Answers to the 1st. 2d. & 10th; from which a Summary was compiled; and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are; Barnabas Taber and Amaziah Delano.

Represent.ves to Q. Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of, of Seth K. Akin & Roby Taber's marriage; report, that it was orderly conducted; and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Libraries and Schools. The Committee appointed last month; to consider the recommendation of the Yearly Meeting relative to Libraries and schools, report; "That a small Library of Friends' Books has for some years

1833. 11mo been established in Longplain Preparative Meeting. to which they should think well of making some additions if way opened for it; — and propose that a similar Library be established under the care of New Bedford Preparative Meeting: to be open to Friends and others desirous of perusing the publications of our Society, under such regulations as a Committee of the Meeting may think best calculated to facilitate the circulation of the Books, and ensure their preservation. The expense, they think, need not exceed One hundred Dollars.

"On the subject of Schools, which has received some consideration, they are not at present prepared to report.

"Signed on behalf of the Committee

Abrm Shearman, junr

New Bedford, 11mo 27. 1833. Daniel Davis."

— Which being read and considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Committee now under appointment with the addition of George Howland & Francis Taber was continued, to carry into effect the recommendation relative to a Library; and were authorised to receive subscriptions to defray the expense — and were also requested further to consider the subject of Schools — and report at a future Meeting.

Seth C. Hiller having requested a Certificate to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on account of Marriage, Amaziah Delano, Daniel Davis, & Jonathan Cowing are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report at the adjournment of this Meeting

Com. to exa. Treasr accts &c. John Howland, junr William Tallman & Geo. Howland are appointed a Committee to examine & settle the Treasurer's accounts, consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the service of the ensuing year; propose a Treasurer; and report to our next Monthly Meeting

Remol Certifs Ruth and Ann Smith A removal Certificate directed to Baltimore Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth Smith, — also one for Ann Smith, directed to the same Meeting, were approved in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

Adjournmt This Meeting is adjourned to the close of the Meeting for worship, to be held at New Bedford on 5th day, the 12th of next Month.

12mo 12. Adjd Mg. At a Meeting held according to Adjournment, 12th of 12mo 1833.

Certif on acct Marriage S. C. Hiller A Certificate on acct of marriage, directed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Seth C. Hiller, was approved.

1833. 12mo: At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 26th of 12mo. 183
Representatives — New Bedford, Job Eddy, Geo. W. Baker — Longplain, Wing Howland, Zeruiah Wood — who are all present, except Wing Howland; who, we are informed, is absent on acct. of sickness in his family.

Clerks app.d Abraham Shearman, jun.r is appointed Clerk; and William C. Taber, Assistant Clerk, of this Meeting, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.

Report of Committee for Schools for Scrip.l Ins.n The Committee appointed by the Mo. Meeting, as by minute of 12th month last, to superintend the opening of Schools for Scriptural Instruction, and to have the general oversight thereof, — Report, —

"That Schools of this description were commenced at New Bedford in the first month of the present year, and have since been regularly continued: and have, with very few exceptions, been visited each week, by two of the Committee. The services of the Teachers have been satisfactory, & many of the Children have appeared to take an interest in the opportunity for Instruction that has been afforded them, — and the Committee are encouraged to believe that usefulness will result from the continuance of the Schools for another year, under the care of a Committee, should it meet the approbation of the Meeting. A School of this description has been held during a considerable part of the year, at Accushnet, under the care of the Committee there. Signed on behalf of the Committee, by

Abrm. Shearman, Jr.
N. Bedford, 12mo. 25. 1833. Mary Taber.

— Which being read and considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Schools continued for another year, under the care of the same Committee, with the exception of our late friend Obadiah Davis, deceased since the former appointment. — to report in the 12th Mo. next.

Remov.l Certif. for Allen Kelley & Son. A removal Certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Allen Kelley, & his son Edward, was accepted.

Report of Committee on Treas.y The Committee appointed last month, to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts, & for other purposes, made the following Report, viz. "We have examined the Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting's acc.ts & find a balance due him of three dollars & 84 cents, — & propose that six hundred dollars should be raised for the ensuing year; — & likewise propose William C. Taber for Treasurer.

To the Monthly Meeting.
12mo. 19, 1833.

John Howland, Jr.
Geo. Howland,
Wm. Tallman.

1833. 12mo.

Which being read & considered was acceptable to the Meeting and in conformity therewith William C. Taber was appointed

Appt. of Treasurer.

Treasurer for the year ensuing. It was concluded to raise six hundred dollars, the sum proposed, and Stephen Tripp,

$600. to be raisd.

Charles R. Tucker, John Wood 2d, and George Howland Jr. were appointed to collect the same, & produce the Treasurer's receipts therefor, when accomplished.

The Treasurer was requested to pay to the Quarterly Meeting's Treasurer, our proportion of Stock, when in funds.

Complaints. Wm. Gifford Jr. &

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that William Gifford Junr. has proceeded in marriage in a manner contrary to the Discipline, with one who is also a member. — Abraham Barker and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

Geo. Taber

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform, that George Taber neglects the attendance of our Meetings, and attends the Meetings of another Society; also attends places of amusement and dancing. — Ariel Dewolf & Elnathan E. Delano are appointed to visit him; and report at a future Meeting.

Remov.l Certifs. for Ch. S. Wade, & D. F. Tucker, recd.

Removal Certificates — from Pembroke Mo. Meeting on behalf of Charlotte S. Wade; — and from Weare Mo. Meeting, on behalf of Dorcas F. Tucker; were accepted in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

Liberty to erect a School House on N. Bedfd. M. H. Lot

Friends of New Bedford Preparative Meeting are left at liberty, should they on further consideration, deem it expedient, to erect a School House for the use of Friends, on some convenient part of New-Bedford Meeting-House Lot.

1834. 1mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23d of 1st Mo. 1834

Representatives — N. Bedford, Reuben Russell, Allen Kelley; Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Thos. H. Howland — who are all present.

A removal Certificate to Sandwich Mo. Meeting, being requested for Presbury Wing, a Minor; Francis Taber and Wm. C. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case; and report at a future Meeting.

Remov. Certifs. for P. Wicks & A. Bowermn. returnd.

Being informed that Prince Wicks and Alice Bowerman for whom certificates of removal were forwarded to us a few months past, by Sandwich Mo. Meeting; have again removed within the limits of that Meeting, — the Clerk was directed to return the Certificates to said Meeting, with a copy of this minute.

for Abby T. Holloway granted.

A removal Certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting of Flushing, Ohio, on behalf of Abby T. Holloway, was approved in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

1834. 2d mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 2d mo. 1834
Representatives — New Bedford, Job Eddy, Elisha Thornton — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Sands Wing — who are all present.

Remov. Certif. Presby. Wing

A removal Certificate directed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Presbury Wing, a minor, was approved.

Jonathan Cowing, Jr. having requested a Certificate to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on account of marriage — Seth C. Hiller, Sands Wing, & Perry Russell were requested to take the necessary care in the case, & report next month.

Complaints. D. Ricketson, & Seth Cowing.

The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Daniel Ricketson has been very deficient in the attendance of our religious Meetings; and has recently married, contrary to the order of our Society, with one not in profession with Friends — George W. Baker and Wm. C. Taber were appointed to visit him on this account, & report at a future Meet.

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform, that Seth Cowing has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Amariah Delano and Abraham Davis were appointed to visit him; and to report at a future Meeting.

Report of Fl. Burial Grd. Committee.

The Committee who have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds, for the year past, presented the following report, viz.

"To New-Bedford Monthly Meeting.

"The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals, and care of Burial Grounds, report, that we have given attention thereto. We think in every instance, the conclusion of the Meeting, respecting the interment of persons not members of our Society, has been complied with — In regard to monuments heretofore erected in our burying ground, but little change has taken place since our last Report. Some labour has been extended.

On behalf of the Committee, Barnd. Taber
2mo. 13. — Geo. W. Baker."

Committee app. which being read, was acceptable to the Meeting; and the Committee now under appointment, [viz. Barnd. Taber, William Tallman, Joseph Davis, Reuben Russell, Job Eddy, Geo. W. Baker, Joseph Taber, — Abraham Davis, Thomas H. Howland, — Amariah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Arch. Dewolf, & Seth C. Hiller,] with the addition of Benjamin Swift, George Howland & Daniel Davis, — were continued in that service for the ensuing year; and requested to report at its expiration.

Com. to name Overseers

Joseph Davis, Jno. R. Davis, Corns. Howland, & Sands Wing, were appointed a Committee to consider of and propose at a future Meeting, the names of such Friends as they may consider suitable to serve this Meeting as Overseers for the year ensuing.

Mirm. Giffd. denied.

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Miriam Gifford, late Bailey.

To the Quarterly Meeting, next to be held at New-Bedford
for Sandwich.

Dear Friends,

The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers, from which the annexed Summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to you by our Representatives, who are Lewis Pratt, Amaziah Delano, & Elisha Thornton.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Mg. were duly received & read. Subscriptions have been entered into for the establishment of a Library of Friends' Books. The subject~~s~~ of Schools has also been under consideration.

Our Treasurer has paid our proportion of Stock to your Treasurer.

Signed by direction and on behalf of New-Bedford M^{o} Meeting, held 27th of 3^{d} M^{o} 1834, by

Abr^{m} Shearman, Jun:

1834. 3mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 27 of 3mo 1834

Representatives New Bedford: Walter Howland, George Howland — Longplain: Humphrey Kempton, Wing Howland — who are all present.

Queries and Answers. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers, from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, Lewis Pratt, Amariah Delano, and Elisha Thornton.

An account to the Quarterly Meeting was approved.

Complaints. Elihu Giffd. The *Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Elihu Gifford has been very deficient in the attendance of our religious Meetings, on which account labour has been from time to time extended; and has recently married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a member — Reuben Russell and Barnabas Taber were appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

C. Howland Jr. The Overseers also inform, that Cornelius Howland, jun. has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a member, — Perry Russell and Job Eddy were appointed to visit him, and report at a future Meeting.

Certif. on acct. of Marriage Jona. Cowing, jr. A certificate on account of marriage, directed to Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Jonathan Cowing, jun. was approved.

Overseers appointed. Francis Taber, Barnabas Taber, Perry Russell, Abraham Shearman, jun. Amariah Delano, Abraham Davis, & Seth C. Hiller, being proposed by the Committee named last month, were appointed Overseers of this Monthly Meeting for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Wm. Gifford Jr. denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of the 12th month last, to visit Wm. Gifford, jun. produced the following report, viz. — "To the Monthly Meeting.

"According to our appointment, we have had an opportunity with William Gifford, jun. and although he treated us respectfully, we found that he was not in a state of mind to make satisfaction for his marrying contrary to the order of our Society. We are united in believing that further labour in the case on our part will not be useful; which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

3mo. 27. 1834. Joseph Davis.
Abm. Parker."

Which being considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; and George W. Baker is named to inform him hereof.

1834. 4mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 4mo. 1834.

Representatives — New-Bedford, John Howland, & William R. Taber — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Sands Wing. — Who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, report, that they all attended.

Lemuel Gifford having requested a removal Certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, Wm. C. Taber and George W. Baker are requested to take the necessary care in the case, and report at a future meeting.

Complaint. S. Russell. The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Seth Russell has failed to pay his just debts, and has made conveyances or assignments of property for the object of securing some, in preference to others of his creditors. — Cornelius Howland, Job Eddy, & Perry Russell are appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future meeting.

D. Ricketson denied. The Committee appointed, ~~in~~ the 2d. month, to visit Daniel Ricketson, produced the following report, viz.

"To New-Bedford Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed for that purpose, have had an opportunity with Daniel Ricketson. He did not appear to be in a state of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his deviation in marriage, nor did he give any encouragement of a future attendance of our meetings. We submit the case to the meeting; believing that a further continuance of it will not be useful.

Geo. W. Baker,
4mo. 21. Wm. C. Taber."

Which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; and Allen Kelley is named to inform him thereof.

$600. raised. The Committee appointed in the 12th month to receive subscriptions for the use of this Meeting, produced the Treasurer's receipts for $600. — the sum proposed to be raised.

Elizabeth Josselyn denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Josselyn, late Tallman.

Removl. Certif. Phebe Greene & daur. recd. A removal Certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Phebe, wife of William Greene, and daughter Caroline, is accepted in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

1834. 5mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d of 5mo. 1834.

Representatives — New Bedford, Barn.s Taber, Job Eddy — Longplain, Sands Wing, Thos. H. Howland; who are all present, except Sands Wing, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

Certif. for Lemuel Gifford granted. A removal Certificate directed to Sandwich Mo. My., on behalf of Lemuel Gifford, is approved.

1834 5 mo. A removal Certificate from Philadelphia Mo. Meeting for the Western District, on behalf of Joseph Pierce, Mary Pierce and John Finisher Hutchinson, minor Children of Jno. Hutchinson is accepted.

Complaint George Davis. The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that George Davis has wholly neglected the attendance of our Meetings — Shadrach Davis & Clother Gifford are appointed to visit him on this account, & report at a future Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the third month to visit Elihu Gifford, produced the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — The Committee in the case of Elihu Gifford report, that we have visited him on the

Elihu Gifford denied. subject of his deviation in marriage, and non attendance of our religious Meetings; but did not find him in a state of mind to make satisfaction therefor, and expressed a preference in attending

Informed [illegible] the Meetings of another religious Society — Which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Barnd. Taber.
Reuben Russell."

— Which being read and considered, we do with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership, and George W. Baker is named to inform him thereof.

Sarah Allen, wife of J. H. A denied. We unite with the Women's Meeting, in denying the right of membership to Sarah Allen (wife of Jos. H. Allen) on acct. of the neglect of our own, & a preference for Meetings of another Society.

Overseers of Poor contind. The Overseers of the Poor, now under appointment, are continued in that service for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

Recorder. George W. Baker is appointed Recorder for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.

1834. 6mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 20th of 6mo. 1834.

Representatives — New Bedford, John Howland, junr. & Benjamin Swift — Longplain, Aseli Dewolf, Humphry Kempton — who are all present.

Queries answd. Rept. to Q. M g. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d and 10th. A summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives who are Cornelius Howland, George W. Baker, and Clother Gifford.

Geo. Taber. denied. The Committee appointed as by minute of 12th mo. last, to visit George Taber, produced the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting. — According to appointment, we have had an opportunity with George Taber. He did not appear disposed to make Friends satisfaction for his deviation, and he has lately joined a military company. And we believe that any thing further from us will be unavailing. Which we submit to the Meeting.

Aseli Dewolf.
Fairhaven, 6mo. 25. 1834. Elnathan C. [illegible]"

1834. 6mo — which being read and considered, we do, with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, deny him the right of membership; and Amaziah Delano is named to inform him hereof.

Visit of Thos. Arnett, R. Updegraff. Benj.a Wright. Hannah Collins. Companions

Our esteemed friend Thomas Arnett, of Centre Mo. Meeting, Ohio; and Rebecca Updegraff, of Short Creek Mo. Meeting, in the same State, attended this Meeting, — in which their company and religious services have been acceptable to us. .... Our esteemed friends Benjamin Wright, of Short Creek Mo. Meeting, Ohio, — and Hannah Collins, of New-York; — Companions to our friend Rebecca Updegraff, have also been acceptably with us. .... And the Clerk was directed to furnish them with minutes, embracing the substance of this.

Remov. Certif. Betsey Hiller & Minerva Howld. recd.

Removal Certificates from Smithfield Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Betsey Hiller, (wife of Seth C. Hiller,) — and from Ninepartners Mo. Meeting, on behalf Minerva Howland, (wife of Edwd. W. Howland,) — were accepted.

1834. 7mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 7mo. 1834.

Representatives New Bedford, Barnd. Taber, Elisha Thornton — Longplain, Sands Wing, Wing Howland — who are all present.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

Report of Board.g Schl. Committee & Extracts from mins. Y. Mg.

The report of the Boarding School Committee presented to our last Yearly Meeting, and minutes of the Yearly Meeting on the subject of Education, with Queries annexed to be answered by the Preparative Meetings, were recd and read. [For which see printed copies annexed.]

Jno. West's Estate.

The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of John West's Estate, presented the following report, viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

"We have this day settled with the Trustees of the Estate of John West, and find a balance in their hands of two hundred and fifty-one dollars and thirty-five cents

Job Eddy,
7mo. 21. 1834. Geo. W. Baker"

which was acceptable to the Meeting, and the present Auditors are continued in that service, and are requested to report annually.

Visit D. & A. Clark. D. Cope Compan.n

Our esteemed friends Dougan and Asenath Clark, of Marlborough Monthly Meeting, N. Carolina, attended this Meeting, in which their company & religious services have been acceptable to us. Our esteemed friend Deborah Cope, of Birmingham Monthly Mg. Pennsylvania, companion to Asenath Clark, has also been acceptably with us.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,

Sixth Month, 1834.

The Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to this Meeting, copies thereof were directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

During the consideration of the Report, a deep feeling of interest for the best welfare of the Institution was spread over the Meeting ; and while the benefits that have already resulted from it, to the children and youth of the Society, were freely acknowledged, an earnest solicitude was expressed, that the Committee, in the discharge of the important and arduous trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, may be encouraged steadily to keep in view the great objects which led to the establishment of the School, as a means for promoting the acquisition of useful learning, in connexion with the moral and religious improvement of the Children, consistently with the principles and testimonies which we as a Society believe ourselves called upon to maintain.

The recommendation of the Committee relative to plainness and simplicity of attire, was cordially united with; the Committees of Monthly Meetings were encouraged to extend an increasing care in this respect; and Parents and others having the charge of Children, were impressively exhorted to lend their assistance in promoting this desirable object.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavoured to discharge the services confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, during the past year, in attending to the various concerns of the Institution ; which have been conducted to a good degree of satisfaction.

Meetings have been regularly continued, and harmony has been preserved. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and sixty-eight ; seventeen of whom have been pupils in the department of the School for instruction in Languages, &c. The School is continued under the immediate superintendence of Enoch and Lydia Breed, in which capacity they are assisted by Stephen and Hannah Gould. John Griscom is still usefully employed to superintend the literary department of the Institution. Moses A. Cartland, Pliny Earl and Jonathan Slocum are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School ; and Deborah Ramsdell, Mary H. Griscom, Caroline Cartland, Martha Barker and Anna T. Lockwood in the Girls'. Jamuel J. Gummere is continued in charge of the department for Languages, &c.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled ; and the Committee propose that the terms of admission be continued the same as last year ; and that the privilege of sending one child, six months, *free of expense,* be continued to Monthly Meetings. Friends are requested not to neglect the established regulation of the School, that the expense of *each* quarter be paid in *advance.*

The Committee believe it proper again to recommend to Friends, in sending their Children to the School, to observe, as much as may be, the periods of time proposed two years since, viz. at the time of our Yearly Meeting, or in the first week of the second, fifth, eighth and eleventh months.

The importance of maintaining plainness of dress in the inmates of this Institution, has often claimed the serious attention of the Committee ; and we think it right at this time to revive with Friends the necessity of having their children habited in plain attire, and that no articles of apparel, unsuitable through want of plainness, be brought by them to the School. And that the Committees of Monthly Meetings may be enabled to render the necessary advice and assistance, Friends are requested to be careful to make application to them for certificates, in sufficient season to afford them this opportunity.

In reviewing the state of the School for the past year, we feel bound gratefully to acknowledge, that the family and scholars have been preserved in health ; and that the Institution continues to afford encouraging evidence of its usefulness to the youth of our Society.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee, at a Meeting held 2d of 5th month, 1834,

WILLIAM JENKINS, *Clerk.*

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,

Sixth Month, 1834.

The subject of the guarded, literary and religious instruction of the children and youth of the Society, having again been feelingly adverted to, claimed the solid consideration of the Meeting; and the importance of being possessed of a more intimate knowledge of the present state of Education among Friends, in the various sections of this Yearly Meeting, being generally felt, a Committee was appointed, to unite with a Committee of the Women's Meeting, in considering the subject, and to report thereon at a future sitting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee introduced the following minutes of advice to subordinate Meetings; which being deliberately considered, were adopted, the Women's Meeting uniting therein, and the Clerk was directed to forward a sufficient number of copies thereof to our several Quarterly Meetings, for the supply of each Monthly and Preparative Meeting, within their respective limits; and also the necessary forms for the returns proposed to be made to this Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. *Clerk.*

The interesting concerns of Education having renewedly claimed the weighty deliberation of the Yearly Meeting, it is the earnest desire of the body thus assembled, that Friends may endeavor, wherever it is practicable, to establish select Schools within their Preparative or Monthly Meetings, (to be taught by exemplary members of our Society,) in which the children of Friends may be exempt from the dangers arising from improper associations, and moral and religious principles, in conformity to our Christian profession, be duly inculcated; the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament be daily read; and such improved methods of instruction be adopted, as will best promote their advancement in useful learning. These Schools should be visited monthly, or oftener, by Committees of men and women Friends appointed by the Meeting, before whom the Children should be exercised in the several branches taught in the School. And in those places where it appears to be impracticable to establish Preparative or Monthly Meeting Schools, it is desired that Friends may endeavor to institute Family Schools, in which the Children of one or more Families may daily assemble for literary instruction, by some Teacher qualified to impart it. And Friends are every where desired to exercise a becoming liberality in providing Teachers and means of instruction in all their Schools.

To keep alive a concern of such vital importance to our social and religious welfare, and that the Yearly Meeting may be furnished with correct information relative thereto, Preparative Meetings are directed to transmit to their respective Monthly Meetings, a statement of the number of Children within their limits, agreeably to the subjoined Queries, and insert their answers in the several columns of the form accompanying; which returns are to be forwarded by the Monthly to the Quarterly Meetings; and a condensed statement of the facts thus collected, to be prepared by the Clerks of the Quarterly Meetings, or by a Committee appointed for that purpose, and forwarded with their next annual accounts to this Meeting.

Queries to be answered by the Preparative Meetings.

1st. What number of Children are there in your Meeting, of an age suitable for instruction, at School, say from *four* to *twenty-one* years of age? Distinguishing between male and female, and also distinguishing between those *under* the age of *fourteen*, and those *over* that age.

2d. What number of Children have been actually at School within the year? Distinguishing between male and female, and also between those under fourteen, and those over that age.

3d. What number of Schools have been kept under the care of Friends, in your Meeting, during the past year? Distinguishing between Preparative Meeting, Monthly Meeting and Family Schools.

4th. What has been the average duration of the Schools under the care of Friends, within the year?

5th. What number of Teachers have been employed in *these* Schools, within the year? Distinguishing between male and female Teachers.

6th. What number of Children are there in your Meeting who have attended District or mixed Schools? Distinguishing between male and female, and also between those under the age of fourteen, and those over that age.

7th. Is there care taken that the Books used in the Schools under the care of Friends, in the several departments taught in the Schools, are judiciously selected.

[☞Preparative Meetings are requested to prepare Answers to these Queries, in sufficient season for such Anwsers to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetings that will be held in the fourth and fifth months, next year.]

6 mo. 1834.

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In this column insert the name of the Meeting for which the answers are intended.	No. of Children of an age suitable for instruction at School.				No. of Children actually at School within the year.				Number of Schools.			Average duration of Schools within the year	Number of Teachers Members of Society.		Number of Children who attend district or mixed schools.			
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834. 7mo.
dia Greene
denied

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Lydia Greene (wife of Thomas A. Greene) who it appears, remains decided in her choice to attend a separate Meeting

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834. 8mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 8mo. 1834. — Representatives — New Bedford William Tallman, Job Eddy — Longplain, Shadrach Davis, Jeriah Wood. — Who are all present.

Visit
r. Hubbard

Our esteemed friend Jeremiah Hubbard of Deep River Monthly Meeting North Carolina, attended this Meeting, in which his company & Gospel labours have been acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

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Desire Howl.d
rec.d

A removal Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Desire Howland is accepted in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

th Russell
denied,

The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to visit Seth Russell, produced the following Report, viz:

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have attended to our appointment in the case of Seth Russell, and find what is stated in the complaint to be true, that he has made arrangements for paying some of his creditors in preference to others. We are therefore united in judgment that he can no longer be retained a member of our Society according to Discipline; which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

New Bedford,
8mo. 24. 1834.

Cornelius Howland,
Perry Russell,
Job Eddy."

which being read & considered, and having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, we deny him the right of membership, and Joseph Davis is named to inform him hereof.

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We are informed by a minute of the Quarterly Meeting, that our proportion of the Stock proposed to be raised by that Meeting, is $122 10/100.

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ate Hussey
denied,

We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Hannah Richmond, late Hussey, on acc.t of her having married out of the order of our Society.

1834. 9mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22th of 9mo. 1834. Representatives — New Bedford, Aaron Kempton, Weston Howland — Longplain, Seth C. Hiller, Shadrach Davis — Who are all present.

J. W. Howl.d
& A. Kelley
ntentions of
m rriage

Joseph W. Howland & Abigail Kelley appeared in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage — Abraham Da and Humphrey Kempton are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Joseph's clearness to proceed therein, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

1834. 9mo.

Queries. Rept. to Q. M.g — The Queries were, read in this Meeting; with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are Abraham Davis, Elnathan E. Delano and Abraham Shearman, Jun.r

C. Howland, jr. — The Committee appointed as by minute of 3d mo. last, to visit Cornelius Howland, jun.r produced the following report, viz.t

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"We have attended to our appointment in the case of Cornelius Howland, jun.r and although he appeared to have a degree of regard for Society, and has continued to attend our Meetings frequently, yet we see no present prospect of his conforming to what our Discipline requires, in cases where our members marry contrary to its dictates.

Perry Russell
Job Eddy."

9mo. 25, 1834.

which was, read, — and referred for further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

Remov.l Certif. L. R. Cowing, rec.d — We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a removal Certificate from Smithfield Mo. Meeting on behalf of Louisa R. Cowing, wife of Jonathan Cowing, Jun.r

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1834. 10mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 23.d of 10mo. 1834.

Representatives — New Bedford, Joseph Howland, George W. Baker — Longplain, Abraham Davis, Clother Gifford — who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

J. W. Howl.d Abig.l Kelley marriage allow.d — The Committee appointed last month to make the necessary inquiry relative to Joseph W. Howland's clearness to proceed in marriage, report that they find nothing to obstruct. Joseph W. Howland and Abigail Kelley having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they having consent of surviving parents, and appearing clear to proceed therein, are allowed to solemnize said marriage according to the established order of our Society — And John R. Davis and Humphry Kempton are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Wing Russell — Wing Russell having requested a removal Certificate for himself, and family, to Hamburgh Monthly Meeting, State of New-York; Elisha Thornton and William C. Taber, are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report at a future Meeting.

present Committee. — p. 70.

Francis Taber,
L. P. Abm. Davis
Jos. Davis.
Saml. Taber
L. p. Sands Wing
Benj. Swift
Geo. W. Baker
Wm. Tallman
A. Amaziah Delano.
A. Jno. R. Davis
A. Shearman, Jr
A. W. R. Taber
Jno. Howland, Jr

Com. to St

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S. Shearman. David S. Shearman having requested a removal Certificate for himself and family to Oswego Monthly Meeting, State of New York. George M. Baker and Job Eddy are appointed to take the needful care in the case, and report at a future Meeting.

hester Meetings contd. The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester, report, "That those Meetings have been frequently attended by members of the Committee, and that after deliberately considering the subject of their continuance, they feel best satisfied to propose, that Meetings be held there, for another year, as heretofore, under the care of a Committee. On behalf of the Committee,

New Bedford, } Francis Taber,
10m° 1834. } Mary Card."

which being considered, was united with, and the Women concurring therein, those Meetings were continued for another year, under the care of the Friends now under appointment, with the exception of Samuel Gifford, who has removed from us since the appointment was made.

wland, Jr. The case of Cornelius Howland, jun. having been again brought under consideration, it was concluded to continue the same under the care of the Committee, till his return from the Voyage on which he has now embarked.

: 1834. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 27th of 11m° 1834.

Representatives, New Bedford, George Howland, William R. Taber. Longplain, Robert Brownell, William Davis,—who are all present.

ries. h° to Q. Mg. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers to the 1st, 2d and 10th, from which a Summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives. to which service we appoint, Sands Wing, Barnabas Taber, & Geo. Howland.

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of Joseph M. Howland and Abigail Kelley's marriage, report, that it was orderly conducted, and the Certificate delivered to the Recorder.

ovl. Certifs. Russell Shearman granted. The Committees appointed last month, to prepare Removal Certificates for Wing Russell & family to Hamburgh Monthly Meeting, State of New York, and for David S. Shearman & family to Oswego Mo. Meeting, in the same State, presented essays, directed to those Meetings respectively, which were read, and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting approved, and directed to be forwarded.

Certif. Howld. accd. A removal Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting on behalf of Peleg and Mary Howland, was accepted.

1834. 11mo

Treasury.

John Howland, jun. George W. Baker, and George Howland were appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts, consider of a sum suitable to be raised for the service of the ensuing year, and propose a Treasurer. And were requested to report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Susan Howland's Visit to Salem.

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland weightily opened in this Meeting, a concern that has for some time past rested upon her mind to pay a religious visit to the families of Friends of Salem Monthly Meeting; also to attend Salem Quarterly Meeting, if way should open for it. Which claiming the solid & feeling consideration of this Meeting, was united with, and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect, as Truth may open the way, being a Minister in unity with us. And the Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a Minute embracing the substance of this.

1834. 12mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 25th of 12mo 1834.

Representatives. For New Bedford William Tallman, John Howland, jun. for Longplain, Wing Howland, John Wood — who are all present.

London Epistles

The London general Epistle of the present year, was read in this Meeting to our satisfaction.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

R, Schools for Scriptural Instruction report of Committee & Schools continued.

The Committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting to superintend the Schools for Scriptural Instruction, produced the following report, viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting.

"The Committee appointed by the Monthly Meeting, to have the oversight of the Schools for Scriptural Instruction, report That Schools of this description have been continued at New Bedford during the present year, and have, with few exceptions, been visited week, by two of the Committee. The services of the Teachers have been satisfactory, and the improvement of the Children has been such as to encourage the Committee to believe that usefulness will result from the continuance of the Schools for another year; under the care of a Committee; Which is submitted to the consideration of the Meeting

Signed,

On behalf of the Committee,

Abrm. Shearman, Jr

Sarah Russell

New Bedford,
12mo 22d 1834.

Which being read and considered, was satisfactory to the to the Meeting; and the Schools continued for another

1834 12mo
Committee on Schools for Longplain Inqd

year under the care of the Friends now under appointment, with the addition of Elisha Thornton and Job Eddy — who are requested to report in the 12th month next.

Complaint A. Russell 2d

The Overseers inform, that Abraham Russell 2d has recently married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member: and that he has for a considerable time past much neglected the attendance of our religious Meetings. — Geo. W. Baker and Joseph Howland 2d were appointed to visit him on these accounts and report at a future Meeting.

Treasurer. Report of Committee.

The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and for other purposes, made the following report, viz.

"We have this day settled with William C. Taber Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting, and find a balance in his hands of Seventy-seven $\frac{66}{100}$ Dollars.

"We recommend that Five hundred Dollars be raised for the use of the Meeting for the ensuing year; and that William C. Taber be again appointed Treasurer.

New Bedford.
12mo 23. 1834.
To the Monthly Meeting.

John Howland, jun.
Geo. W. Baker
Geo. Howland.

Treasurer appointed.
500 to be raised.

Which being read and considered, was acceptable to the Meeting; and in conformity therewith, William C. Taber was appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing. It was concluded to raise Five hundred Dollars, the sum proposed; & George W. Baker, Daniel Davis, William Gifford, Clother Gifford, Wing Howland and Abiel Dewolf were appointed to collect the same, and produce the Treasurers receipts therefor when accomplished. The Treasurer was requested to pay to the Quarterly Meetings Treasurer our proportion of Stock when in funds.

Committee to name Clerk.

The time for which the Clerk and Assistant Clerk were appointed, being expired; William Tallman, Perry Russell, Barnabas Taber and Amaziah Delano, were requested to consider the subject and propose to our next Mo. Meeting, the names of some Friends to perform those services for the year ensuing.

The Minutes of New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends, thus far entered in this Book have been recorded by
Abm. Shearman Jr
Clerk of said Mo. Mtg.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 22d 1mo 1835
Representatives — for New Bedford Job Eddy, Abraham Tucker — for Longplain Cornelius Howland Sands Wing, — who are all present.—

1835 1mo

Appt. of Clerks

Abraham Shearman Jr. the former clerk having requested to be released, he having served the meeting in this capacity for twenty six years past very much to the satisfaction of friends the Committee named last month proposed Wm C. Taber as Clerk and Geo. W. Baker as assistant Clerk of this meeting; which was united with and they appointed to those services for the year ensuing, or till another appointment.—

Complaint. Benjn Russell

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting inform that Benjamin Russell has failed to meet his engagements in business, and has made assignments of property giving a preference to one description of Creditors over others. And has also been neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings; on which account care has been extended.—— Job Eddy John Howland Jr and Perry Russell were appointed to visit him on these accounts and report at a future meeting.—

The Committee appointed last month to visit Abraham Russell 2d made the following report viz—

"To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed at our last monthly meeting to visit Abraham Russell 2d report,— that he has been called upon by one of the Committee at two different times and an interview requested which he in both instances declined saying that it would be of no use, his mind being fully made up on the subject.— Believing that we cannot be further useful in the case we submit it to the meeting.—

Abm Russell 2d denied.

1mo 22d 1835
Joseph Howland 2d
Geo. W. Baker"

Which being read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we deny him the right of membership and William R. Taber is named to inform him thereof.—

Committee to prepare answers on subject of Education.

George W. Baker, John Howland Jr, Wm C. Taber, William R. Taber, William Gifford, John Wood, Clother Gifford, Sands Wing, Abraham Davis & Seth C. Hiller are appointed to prepare answers to the queries on the subject of education sent down from our last Yearly Meeting applicable to the Preparative Meetings to which they belong and report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 2mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 26, 1835

Representatives — for New Bedford Reuben Russell and Elisha Thornton — for Longplain Charles Kempton and Clother Gifford who are all present—

L. Underwood & Anna H. Macy's marriage propo.

Leonard Underwood & Anna H. Macy appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage—

Abraham Shearman Jr & Elisha Thornton were ap-

1835 2mo — pointed a committee to prepare a removal certificate for Stephen
Stephen Smith — Smith to Scipio Monthly Meeting, State of New York and report
to a future meeting. —

We are informed that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting. —

The Committee who have had the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds for the year past presented the following report, viz —

Report Committee Oversight Funerals & care of Burial Grounds — To the Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report that all funerals we think have been attended by some of the Committee and we believe the conclusions of the Monthly Meeting in regard to the interments in our ground of persons not members of society have been attended to. — We know of no removal or of any new erection of monuments since our report last-year. —

On behalf of the Committee in N.B. Preparative Mg

1mo 29, 1835

Saml Taber

On behalf of Longplain & Acushnet Mg

To the Monthly Meeting

Abm Davis

Com. contind. — Which being read was acceptable to the meeting and the friends now under appointment× were continued in that service for the ensuing year or till another appointment and are requested to report in the second month next year. — × For names of Committee see page [illegible]

The Committee appointed to prepare answers to the queries on the subject of education not being ready to report at this time is continued and requested to report next month.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 3mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 26 1835
Representatives — for New Bedford Joseph Howland & Resolved Howland — for Longplain Thomas Howland & Seth C Miller who are all present

Ans. to Queries & Represent. to Q. Mg. — The queries were read in this meeting with answers from which a Summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Warwick Delano, Job Eddy and Abraham Davis —

Complaint Jos. S. Tillinghast — The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Joseph S. Tillinghast by extending his business beyond his ability rightly to manage has failed to pay his just debts and that in their judgment the circumstances of the case require an extension of care on the part of the Monthly Meeting.

Abm Shearman 2d Wm Tallman Geo W Baker & Geo Howland are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Lewis Pratt. — Lewis Pratt having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Weare Monthly Meeting State of New Hampshire and a removal certificate to Salem Monthly Meeting — John Howland

1835. 3mo

and Elisha Thornton are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Jno. R. Davis Jr. Certif. requested

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting having been requested on account of John R. Davis Jr a minor Abel D. Wolf and Sam[l] Wing are appointed to prepare one and present to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Leon. Underwood.

A certificate on account of marriage from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Leonard Underwood is accepted

Marriage allow.d

Leonard Underwood and Anna H. Macy having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and Barnabas Taber & Abraham Shearman Jr are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report next month.

And a meeting is appointed to be held at this house on the Sixth day of next week (4mo 3d) at 11 Oclock for the accomplishment of said marriage.—

$500. collected

The Committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the use of this meeting produced the Treasurers receipt for five hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised—

Answers to Queries on Education

The Committee appointed to prepare answers to the Queries on the subject of Education presented reports descriptive of the situation of our preparative meetings which were accepted and they were directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

Acknowledgmt. Elizath. H. Almy accepted

We concur with the Womens Meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Elizabeth H. Almy on account of her deviation in marrying out of the order of Society.—

Report to Q. Mg.

A report to the Quarterly Meeting was read, approved and ordered to be signed by the Clerk—

Wm Hussey 2d informed.

The friend named to inform William Hussey 2d of the minute of denial made in his case, reports his attention to that subject

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835 4mo

At New Bedford Mo. meeting held 23d of 4 mo. 1835

Representatives for N. Bedford William R. Taber & William Tallman for Longplain Abraham Davis & Zeniah Wood who are all present

The Representatives to our last Quarterly meeting report that they all attended

Removal Cert. Jn. R. Davis 2d granted

A removal certificate to Sandwich Mo. meeting on behalf of John R. Davis Jr. is approved

Lewis Pratt Cert. on acct of Marriage granted

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Weare Mo. meeting (N. H.) on behalf of Lewis Pratt is

L. Hall removal certif: granted

approved. A removal certificate to Salem Mo. meeting on behalf of the same friend is also approved

Elizabeth S. Howland denied

We unite with the women's meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth S. Howland (late Taber)

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Marriage of Leonard Underwood and Anna H. Macy, report that it was orderly conducted and that the certificate has been delivered to the Recorder

Benj Russell denied

The Committee appointed in the 1st. month to visit Benjamin Russell, made the following report viz

To the Monthly meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Benjamin Russell; he informed us that he had made or was making arrangements for paying some of his Creditors in preference to others and he appeared to consider himself justified in so doing. Some neglect continues to be manifest as respects his attendance of meetings; and as we think further labour from us will not be availing we therefore submit the case to the judgement of the meeting

Perry Russell
Job Eddy
John Howland jr.

4mo. 23. 1835

Informed &c.

Which being read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the women's meeting we deny him the right of membership, and John Howland jr. is named to inform him thereof,

Joseph Wing Howland requests a removal certificate for himself and wife to Sandwich Mo. meeting, Sands Wing and Daniel Davis are requested to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future meeting.

John R. Davis Joseph Davis William Tallman John Howland jr. Elisha Thornton Sands Wing are appointed a committee to consider of and propose at a future meeting the names of such friends as they may consider suitable to serve this meeting as overseers for the year ensuing

Geo. W. Baker Ass.t Clerk

17 1835 5mo. At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 5mo. 28. 1835
Representatives from New Bedford William R. Taber and Job Eddy from Long Plain Isaac C. Hiller and Abm. Davis who are all present

Overseers appointed Francis Taber Barnabas Taber Abraham Shearman Jr. Perry Russell Abraham Davis Amariah Delano & Seth C. Hiller being proposed by the committee named last month were appointed Overseers of this monthly meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment

Recorder & Assistant appointed George W. Baker was appointed Recorder and Wm. R. Taber Assistant Recorder of this meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment

Overseers of Poor appointed The Friends now under appointment as overseers of the poor Viz. William Tallman Job Eddy John Howland Shadrach Davis Daniel Davis and Amariah Delano are continued in that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment

Stephen Smith denied The Committee appointed in the 2d month to prepare a removal certificate to Scipio ~~Mo~~ monthly meeting on behalf of Stephen Smith made the following report Viz.

To the Monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to prepare a removal certificate for Stephen Smith; report that having had some communication with him on the subject they have received a letter from him in which he states that "his opinions in regard to the religious sentiments of the society, and his long absence from its meetings could hardly fail to be unsatisfactory." and expressed a desire that N. Bedford monthly meeting without proceeding any further in the case may cease to consider him a member. Under these circumstances the committee have forborne to prepare a certificate and submit the case to the consideration of the meeting
New Bedford 5mo. 25. 1835 Abm. Shearman Jr.
Elisha Thornton

Which being read and considered is accepted and Informed after deliberate consideration and having the concurrence of the women's meeting it is concluded to deny him the right of membership & Elisha Thornton is named to inform

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,

from the 14th to the 19th inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1835.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, copies thereof weie directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavoured for the past year to discharge the duties committed to them in attending to the various concerns of the Institution, which have been conducted to a good degree of satisfaction. In doing this they have not been unmindful of the objects Friends have had in view in the establishment of the School, and of the wishes of its benevolent donors.

Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony has been preserved. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and forty-three, eleven of whom have been pupils in the department for languages, &c.

Our friends Seth and Mary Davis, of Dartmouth, have been engaged as Superintendents of the School, to supply the place of our friends Enoch and Lydia Breed, who have acceptably served us in that capacity for the past eleven years, and now wish to be released. Our friend John Griscom has continued his services in the Institution during the past year, but his engagement will terminate the first of seventh month next. Isaac Hathaway is employed as a book-keeper, and care-taker of the Boys, out of school hours; and Christina Gale has charge of the sewing-school, and is care-taker of the Girls, out of school hours.

Pliny Earle, Jonathan Slocum, George W. Read and Louis Cook, are engaged as Teachers in the Boys' school, and Mary-Ann Barker, Martha Barker and Emeline Aldrich in the Girls'. Samuel J. Gummere having left the Institution, the instruction in the Languages will be continued under the care of George W. Read; and it is proposed for the future, instead of the terms heretofore established, that *five dollars per quarter* be charged for the study of the Languages, in addition to the ordinary price for scholars in the other branches of study.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, from which it appears, that the receipts of the School from the funds and the amount paid for scholars, have about met the expenses; and the Committee consequently propose, that the terms for board, tuition, &c. be continued the same as last year; and that the privilege of sending one child six months, free of expense, be continued to each Monthly Meeting. Friends are requested not to neglect the established regulation of the School, that the expense of *each quarter* be paid in advance, inasmuch as inconvenience and loss have resulted from the neglect of this rule.

The Committee deem it proper again to recommend to Friends, that in sending their children to the School, the period of time proposed three years ago may be observed, as far as practicable, viz. at the time of our Yearly Meeting, and in the first weeks of the 2d, 5th, 8th and 11th months.

In reviewing the past year, in relation to this Institution, we feel that we have cause gratefully to acknowedge the preservation extended to us, under which the School has continued to be conducted, we trust, to the benefit of many of the youth of our Society.

By direction and on behalf of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, *Clerk.*

Yearly Meeting Boarding School, 5th mo. 8, 1835.

At the Yearly Meeting aforesaid,

The Committee on the subject of Education produced the following Report, viz.

"The Committee on Education have taken into consideration the important subject referred to them. The religious and guarded education of our children and youth appears to be increasingly claiming the serious concern of Friends, and it is much desired that the provisions of our Discipline upon the subject of Education may be revived in Friends' minds, and put in practice wherever it may be practicable.

The institution of Family Schools is considered by the Committee a very interesting subject; and we desire that Friends may be encouraged to keep alive a concern for their establishment, as way may open for it.

We propose the following Queries for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, to be sent down to our subordinate Meetings:

1. How many Schools are there within your limits, under the care of Friends, (distinguishing between Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting and Family Schools)—and what has been the average duration of these Schools during the year?
2. How many children of Friends have attended Friends' Schools within the year?

Monthly Meetings are desired to answer these Queries in season for the Spring Quarterly Meetings, and the Quarterly Meetings are desired to transmit their answers to our next Yearly Meeting."

——Which being read and considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies of the same to our several subordinate Meetings; who were requested to give the necessary attention to preparing and transmiting answers to the two Queries, as proposed.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,

from the 14th to the 19th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1835.

Having, in this our annual assembly, been enabled to dip together in feeling, in a good measure of that unity of spirit which is the bond of peace, our dear absent brethren have been brought affectionately to remembrance, with desires that they may be made partakers with us in some of the exercises that have pervaded our minds.

In reviewing the state of Society as brought before us by the answers to the Queries, Friends were impressively reminded of the obligation that rests upon every well concerned member of the body, others, as well as overseers, to labour after a right qualification of mind to enable them to admonish a brother, who may be overtaken in a fault, in the spirit of restoring love. "Go tell him his fault between thee and him alone," is an injunction of the highest authority. And were this duty of seasonable private admonition, thus attended to, in meekness and wisdom, we have no doubt that it would be blessed to the reclaiming of many in the early stages of deviation; and that an increase of strength and peace, an advancement in the pathway of holiness, would be witnessed by those who were engaged in these labours of love, and that they would thus become blessed both to the giver and the receiver. While on the other hand, those who indulge themselves in unnecessarily making the faults, real or supposed of others, a subject of conversation or communication by letters, and in spreading them abroad by these means, or who indulge an unwarrantable curiosity in listening to such conversation or letters, cannot but sustain a deep loss themselves, in addition to the great injury that they inflict upon the immediate objects of this detracting spirit, upon which a blessing can never rest, nor the dew of heaven descend.

The great neglect still apparent in the attendance of our religious meetings, particularly on the middle of the week, has been deeply affecting to our feelings, and we have greatly desired that our members may be stirred up to a sense of this important duty. May we be impressed with the obligation of attending *all* our meetings, as well on week-days as on the day which is set apart for that service by the common consent of the Christian world. If we are in the habitual neglect of mid-week meetings, although we may punctually assemble with our friends on first-days, when the law of the land *forbids* our attention to our secular concerns, does not our conduct plainly evince that we prefer our worldly interests to those things which affect our eternal welfare. As we neglect our duty in *this particular*, we shall invariably witness a consequent disrelish in relation to other religious duties, until we become as decayed and withered branches, which, not abiding in the true Vine, become barren and unfruitful. Let us, then, not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but may we be concerned, reverently to present our bodies, a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God, which is but our reasonable service. And as we are concerned, on these solemn occasions, to wait upon Him from whom alone all our spiritual strength is derived, we shall be preserved from being overcome with *drowsiness*, a weakness which, in some instances, has been fallen into, to the reproach of the high profession which we are making, in relation to the spirituality of divine worship.

It is truly painful to observe that, at the present time, when the public mind is becoming more and more awakened to the alarming evil of intemperance, and whilst others are engaged in persevering efforts for its removal, any who profess with us should be so unmindful of our well known testimony as regards this subject, and of the moral influence which a strict adherence thereto on the part of individual members would enable our society to exert in the world, as to indulge themselves in the use of spirituous liquors, except for medicinal purposes. May there be an increasing care faithfully to maintain this branch of our Christian testimonies, and we believe as this comes to be the case, we shall find that the necessity of resorting to the use of this pernicious article, even as a medicine, will be of extremely rare occurrence.

The violation of our testimony in relation to War, instances of which are acknowledged in the reports of several of our subordinate meetings, has been a subject of deep concern at this time. When we consider the leniency which has long been manifested towards our society, by the several state governments within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, we are led to the conclusion that the observance of military requisitions by any of our members must have been *voluntary*. An ignorance of the principles on which our objections to this anti-christian practice are founded, or a want of serious consideration thereof, is clearly evinced; and desires have been expressed in this meeting, that there may be a renewed attention to the circulation and perusal, among the younger part of our society, of such treatises as exhibit, in a striking manner, the unlawfulness of war, and its utter incompatibility with the principles of the gospel of peace. We are impressed with the belief, that as we are faithful in the discharge of our religious duties, our society may be made eminently instrumental, under the divine blessing, in hastening the coming of that day, when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

And we earnestly desire that Friends may be impressed with the importance of maintaining a vigilant supervision over the dear youth under their care, early endeavoring to guard them against every thing which may give a wrong direction to their susceptible minds, carefully restraining them from attending military parades as spectators, and guarding them from the pernicious influence of those books wherein military fame is held up to view as a worthy object of pursuit.

The continued and aggravated wrongs of the oppressed and degraded coloured people in our country, has been a subject to which our minds have been turned, with renewed concern that we might feel the weight and importance of our testimony on this subject. We desire that Friends may become duly sensible that we have ever acted in relation to it, from religious considerations, and in accordance with the principles of the gospel of Christ. May Friends so continue to dwell under the influence of divine wisdom, and so attend to the pointings of Truth, that we may be preserved in such a consistent walking, as will best promote this great cause of Christian benevolence ; and be careful that in all our movements we may act together in unity and love.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Meeting aforesaid,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk.*

1835 5mo him hereof.

Removal Certif. Jos. W. Howland & Wife

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly meeting on behalf of Joseph Wing Howland and wife is approved.

Geo. W. Baker Assistant Clerk

1835 6mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 25th 1835 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Kempton & Job Eddy Longplain — Abel D Wolf & Jeremiah Wood who are all present.

Visits of R. Comfort James Jones & Companions

Our esteemed friends Robert Comfort of Rochester Mo. Meeting State of New York and James Jones of China Mo. Meeting State of Maine attended this meeting with certificates from their respective meetings — Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us — Our esteemed friends Libni Kelley & Abel Jones companions to the above named friends have also been acceptably with us. — The clerk is directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this. —

Queries.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which are directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are Job Eddy, Barnabas Taber and Benjamin Swift. —

B. Russell S. Smith & Wm. Tallman informed

The friends named to inform Benjamin Russell Stephen Smith and William Tallman 2d of the minutes of denial made in their cases respectively report their attention thereto.

B. Purinton's visit.

Our esteemed friend Betsey Purinton with a copy of a minute from Providence Mo. Meeting has been acceptably with us at this time. —

Mary Taber appointed Elder.

We unite with the womens meeting in approving the appointment of Mary Taber to the station of an Elder. —

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 7mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 23d 1835 Representatives from New Bedford — Abm Barker Elisha Thornton — Longplain — Cornelius Howland & Jonathan Cowing who are all present —

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting, report that they all attended —

Proportion Q. M. Stock $173.25

We are informed by a minute from the Quarterly Meeting, that our proportion of the stock proposed to be raised by that meeting is 173 25/100 dolls.

Report of Boarding S. Committee &c.

The report of the Boarding School Committee presented to our last Yearly Meeting, also the report of a Committee on the subject of education presented to the same meeting with Queries annexed to be answered by the Monthly Meetings were received & read —

1835 7mo

An Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting was read at this time to our satisfaction -

Wm Samson

William Sampson having requested a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting for himself and family, John Howland 2 & George W Baker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting -

Wm D. Taber

We are informed by New Bedford Preparative Meeting that William D. Taber a minor has gone to reside within the limits of Hamburg Monthly Meeting State of New York. - Elisha Thornton and Wm R. Taber are appointed to prepare a removal certificate on his behalf, if clear, and report to a future meeting

Jno Wests Estate

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West made the following report which was accepted. - viz

To the Monthly Meeting

We have this day settled with the Trustees of the Estate of John West and find a balance in their hands of one hundred twenty five 58/100 dollars

New Bedford 7mo 20. 1835

Job Eddy
Geo. W. Baker #

Jos. Davis visit to Western part of N. York

Our friend Joseph Davis informed this meeting that he had a prospect of visiting some relations in the Western part of the State of New York which being considered the clerk was directed to furnish him with a minute certifying that he is a minister in unity with us -

Mercy Slade denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mercy Slade on account of her having joined another religious Society -

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 8mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 2? 1835

Representatives from New Bedford George Howland and John Howland 2d - Longplain John Wood and Amaziah Delano who were all present. -

Wing Howland & Rebecca Tripp

Wing Howland & Rebecca Tripp appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage; Abraham Davis & Sand Wing are appointed to make the necessary enquiry relative to Wings clearness to proceed therein and report at our next monthly meeting. -

Removal Certif. W. Sampson and Wife & Sarah Swift

A removal certificate to Dartmouth monthly meeting on behalf of William Sampson & Wife and Sarah Swift a minor was approved. -

ditto Mary D. Taber & Children.

A removal certificate to Hamburg monthly meeting State of New York on behalf of Mary D. Taber and her children Mary R. D. Taber & Wm D. Taber a minor was approved -

Elihu Gifford informed

The friend named to inform ~~to inform~~ Elihu Gifford of the minute of denial made in his case reports his attention thereto

Removal Certif. Anna Austin.

We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Dartmouth monthly meeting on behalf of Anna Austin

Removal Certif Anna H. Underwood — also a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf Ann H. Underwood wife of Leonard Underwood

Board. S. School — plainness — A circular from the Boarding School Committee containing regulations for the future government of the School on the subject of plainess was received and read. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 9mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo. 21, 1835 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Tallman & Job Eddy — Longplain Seth C. Tiller & Sands Wing who are all present

Queries. The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the first second & tenth which were directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Thos. Taber, Abm Shearman 2d & Abm Davis. —

Wing Howland & R. Tripps marriage allowed. Wing Howland & Rebecca Tripp having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and Peleg Howland & Sands Wing are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report next month.

Wm Brayton informed. The friends named to inform Wm Brayton of the minute of denial made in his case reports his attention thereto. —

Mary Grinnell denied. We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary Grinnell she having neglected our own and attending the meetings of another religious Society

Sophia Ricketson. Certif. recd. We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sophia Ricketson wife of Joseph Ricketson —

Susan Howland. min. returnd. Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a copy of a minute furnished her in the 11th mo. last to pay a religious visit to the families of Friends of Salem Monthly Meeting and also to attend Salem Quarterly Meeting which she informed this meeting she has been favoured to perform in a good degree to the relief and satisfaction of her own mind.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 10mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo. 23. 1835 Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Butler & Job Eddy, Longplain Zeruiah Wood & Amaziah Delano who are all present. —

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended —

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Wing Howlands marriage report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate sent to the Recorder. —

The Committee appointed to visit the Meeting at Rochester

1835. 10 mo. report. —

Report of Committee to visit Rochester Mtg.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee under appointment to visit the Meeting at Rochester; report that they have from time to time, as way has opened for it; attended the Meetings held there; and after unitedly considering the subject; feel best satisfied to propose that Meetings be continued for another year as they have heretofore been held under the care of a Committee. — Which is submitted to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
10 mo 21 1835

Abm Shearman Jr
Mary Card

which being considered was united with and the women concurring therein the Meeting is continued for another year under the care of the same committee with the addition of Job Eddy George Howland, Elnathan E. Delano & Clother Gifford, to report in the tenth month next year.

Eunice Pierce recd. —

We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Eunice Peirce, wife of Ephraim Peirce of Middleborough as a member of our religious society. —

Phebe T. Horton acknowledgmt accepted.

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Phebe T. Horton on account of her deviation in marriage with one who is not a member. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 11 mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 26 1835

Representatives for New Bedford Elisha Thornton & George Howland — Longplain Daniel Davis & Wm R. Taber who are (all present) —

Queries.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th which were directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Sands Wing, Job Eddy & George W. Baker. —

Abm Davis' ministry approved

This meeting after solid consideration, and with the unity of the Womens Meeting has approved the public ministry of Abraham Davis and referred the same to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting. —

Committee to settle Treasr Accts

Job Eddy Abraham Parker & George Howland are appointed to examine and settle the treasurers accounts, to report what sum is necessary to be raised for the service of the ensuing year and to propose a Treasurer. — And are requested to report to our next Monthly Meeting. —

Mary R. Hoxie denied.

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary R. Hoxie late Swift she having married contrary to the order of Society

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1835. 12mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 24, 1835.

Representatives from New Bedford Aaron W. Kempton & Joseph Howland — Longplain [illegible] & Samuel Wing, who are all present. —

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

Report of Com. on Treasurer's Accts. — The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts and for other purposes made the following report viz.

"The Committee appointed by New Bedford Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the accounts of the Treasurer of said Meeting report, that they have attended to their appointment and find his accounts correct. There is a balance in his hands of nineteen 49/100 dolls. We recommend that the sum of five hundred & fifty dollars be raised to meet the expences of the ensuing year and propose Wm C. Taber as Treasurer

To ~~New Bedford~~ the Mo. Meeting
12mo 17, 1835

Job. Eddy
Abm Barker
Geo. Howland

Treasurer appd. 550. to be raisd. — which being read and considered was accepted and in conformity therewith William C. Taber is appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing and Cornelius Howland, Charles R. Tucker, John Wood & Joseph Taber are appointed to collect the sum proposed and to present the Treasurer's receipts therefor when accomplished. —

The Treasurer is directed to pay to the Quarterly Meeting's Treasurer our proportion of Stock when in funds.

Report Committee School for Scriptural Instrucn. — The Committee appointed to superintend the School for Scriptural Instruction made the following report:

"The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the School for Scriptural Instruction report: That the School has been kept up during the past year and each School has been attended with a few exceptions by two of the Committee. The services of the Teachers have been satisfactory. The average number of children has been ~~has been~~ about 12 males and as many females. The improvement of the children and the interest manifested by them in their studies have been such as to encourage the Committee to recommend a continuance of the School for another year under the care of a Committee. —

On behalf of the Committee

To the Monthly Meeting
12mo 23, 1835

Geo. W Baker
Mary Taber

which being read and considered was satisfactory to the meeting and the School is continued for another year under the care of the same Committee who are requested to report in the 12th month next, the Womens meeting concurring herein. —

J. S. T. — The Committee appointed to visit Joseph S. Tillinghast presented a report and acknowledgement which were referred for

1835. 12mo further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Clerks appointed. The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed having expired William C. Taber is appointed Clerk and George W. Baker assistant Clerk for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1836. 1st Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 Mo 28 1836

Representatives from New Bedford Wm Tallman & Daniel Tucker — Long plain, Robert Brownell & Sands Wing who are all present

Case of Seth Cowing 2d. The Committee appointed in the 2d mo 1834 to visit Seth Cowing 2d made the following report viz

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford

We your Committee in the case of Seth Cowing 2d have attended to that appointment and do not find him in a situation of mind to make friends satisfaction for his departure in marriage; which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Amaziah Delano
Abm Davis

1836 1 Mo 20

which being read it was concluded to refer the same for further consideration to our next monthly meeting and in the mean time the committee are requested to extend further care if way should open.

J. G. Tillinghast. report of Committee. The following report of the Committee in the case of Joseph G. Tillinghast with the accompanying acknowledgement referred from our last monthly meeting being again read: viz

"To the Monthly Meeting

"The Committee appointed to visit Joseph G. Tillinghast in consequence of his failure in business report, That they have attended to their appointment. They have found him desirous of retaining his right of membership, and he has offered an acknowledgment to us, to present to the meeting. At the same time the Committee think it their duty to state that a portion of his creditors are not satisfied with his proceedings; and after having endeavoured deliberately to weigh the circumstances of the case, they feel constrained to submit it to the consideration of the Meeting with this statement of facts in relation to it."— 12mo 22d 1835

Wm Tallman
Abm Shearman
Geo Howland
Geo W Baker

New Committee appointed it was concluded to refer the acknowledgment ~~to a Committee~~ in connection with the circumstances of the case to a Committee to report their judgement upon the same to a future meeting and to this service we appoint Perry Russell, Reuben Russell and John Howland Jr.

Debh. Brightman (late Allen) denied. We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Deborah Brightman late Allen she having married out of the order of our Society.

Susan Howland min. of Salem Quarterly Mt. A copy of a minute from Salem Quarterly Meeting expressing that the company and religious labours of our friend Susan Howland during her late religious visit to that meeting and to the families of friends of Salem Monthly Meeting were satisfactory; was received and read.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1836. 2d Mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2nd mo 25 1836

Representatives from New Bedford Weston Howland & Edmund Gardner — Longplain Cornelius Howland & Arch. D. Wolf who are all present.

$550 raised. We are informed that the Committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the use of this meeting have performed that service and have paid over to our Treasurer five hundred fifty dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

Seth Cowing 2d. The report of the Committee in the case of Seth Cowing 2d being again read it was concluded to refer the subject to a future meetg under the care of the same committee.—

Report Com. o'sight Funerals & care of Burial Grounds. The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of burial grounds, presented the following report viz

"The Committee to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds, report, that they have attended (some or all of them) all funerals that have come to their knowledge, and the conclusions of the Monthly Meeting respecting the interment of persons not members of our society have been complyed with. No objectionable Stones have been erected and none removed from our burial ground since our last report.

2nd mo 20. 1836
To the Monthly Meeting

On behalf of the Committee
Barnl. Taber
Shadrach Davis

which being considered was acceptable to the meeting and the friends

Com. contind. now under appointment are continued in that service for another year to report in the second month next.— [For names of Committee see p. 81.]

Com. on Y. Mg. Queries — Education. George W. Baker, Clother Gifford, Wm C. Taber & Sands Wing, are appointed to draw up answers to the Queries on the subject of Friends Schools, sent down from our last Yearly Meeting, and are requested to report to our next monthly meeting.—

Y. Mg. Digest. Education. A digest of returns to our last Yearly Meeting on the subject of education was received and read.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1836. 3 mo. At New-Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 3d Mo 24th 1836.

Representatives— New Bedford, Wm Tallman, Elisha Thornton. Longplain, Peleg Howland and Seth C. Miller, who are all present except Peleg Howland, who is prevented from attending by indisposition.

The Clerk being absent, Abraham Shearman jr is appointed Clerk for the day.

Isaac C. Taber C. S. Wade. Isaac C. Taber and Charlotte S. Wade appeared in this Meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. Elisha Thornton and John Howland Jr. are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Isaac's clearness to proceed therein, and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

Sarah Kelley H. A. Howland. Sarah Kelley and Hannah A. Howland also appointed

1836. 3mo in this Meeting, and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. — Sands Wing and Abraham Davis are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Sands Kelley's clearness to proceed therein, and report at our next Monthly Meeting. — Consent of Parents was laid before this Meeting.

Queries. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers; a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives, who are, — Barnabas Taber, George W. Baker, and Sands Wing. —

Complaints, The Overseers of New-Bedford Preparative Meeting inform, that Israel Drayton has neglected the attendance of

Israel Drayton our religious Meetings, and has in other respects deviated from our profession; and that he has been visited on the account — but manifests a preference for other Meetings, and gives no encouragement of attending our own. — Job Eddy and Elisha Thornton were appointed to visit him; and report at a future Meeting.

and The Overseers of the same Preparative Meeting

James Sheph.d also inform that James Shepherd has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not a member and that he has also neglected the attendance of our Meetings. — Geo. W. Baker and Francis Taber were appointed to visit him on this account, and report at a future Meeting.

The Committee appointed for that purpose at

Education. our last Monthly Meeting, produced answers to the Queries on the subject of Education, which were directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The following acc.t to the Quarterly Meeting was approved. viz To the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at New Bedford &c for Sandwich. —

Dear Friends. The Queries were read in this Meeting, with answers, from which a summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to you by our Representatives, who are, Barn.s Taber, George W. Baker, and Sands Wing. Our Treasurer has paid our proportion of Stock to your Treasurer.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee — & Queries on the subject of Education — with an Epistolary communication from the same Meeting, were received, and read in this. — A Digest of returns to our last Yearly Meeting on the subject of Education, has also been, received and read.

Signed by direction and on behalf of New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 24th of 3d month, 1836, by

Abr.m Shearman, jun.r Clerk for the day.

— Answers to the Queries proposed by our last Yearly Meeting on the subject of Education.

Answer 1st. A School, under the care of New Bedford Preparative Meeting, was commenced early in the twelfth month last, and is still continued.

2d. Eighteen children, members of Society, have attended the Preparative Meeting School; and fifteen have attended some portion of the past year, Friends' Boarding School at Providence.

1836 4mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo 25 1836
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Butler & Francis Taber Jr;— Longplain, Amaziah Delano & Wing Howland who are all present.—

S. Taber and Charlotte L. Wade marriage allowed. Saml C. Taber and Charlotte L. Wade having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society and Abraham Shearman Jr & Job Eddy are named to have the oversight thereof and report next month.—

S. Kelley and H. E. Howland marriage allowed. Sands Kelley and Hannah E. Howland having also in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society, and John K. Davis & Humphry Kempton are named to have the oversight thereof and report next month.

A. Kelley's request for Children. Allen Kelley having requested that four of his children might be received into membership viz. Zeno, William Penn, Mercy F. and Catharine C. Kelley we appoint Abm Shearman Jr and Job Eddy to take the subject into consideration and report at a future meeting.—

Complaints. The overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Elisha Thornton Jr has wholly neglected the attendance E. Thornton of our religious meetings and has been in the practice of frequenting places of amusement inconsistant with our profession, George W. Baker and William Tallman are appointed to visit him on those and accounts and report to a future meeting

Edwd. Howland. The overseers of the same meeting also inform that Edward Howland has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member;- Perry Russell and Reuben Russell are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.-

Thos. Wood's request. Thomas Wood having requested to be received into membership with us we appoint John K. Davis, Amaziah Delano and Job Eddy to visit him and report their judgement in the case to a future meeting.

Stephn Tripp Stephen Tripp having requested the advice of friends with respect to placing out his son as an apprentice with one who is not a member, Sands Wing and Abm Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.-

Case of J. G. Tillinghast. The Committee appointed in the 12th month last to take into consideration an acknowledgement presented by Joseph G. Tillinghast made the following reports viz —

"To the Monthly Meeting
Agreeably to our appointment we have attended to the case

1836 4 mo. of Joseph S. Tillinghast and after investigating the same as well as we were able and endeavouring to take a deliberate review of the circumstances connected therewith are united in believing it best to accept his acknowledgement.

Perry Russell
Reuben Russell
New Bedford 4 mo. 1836 John Howland Jr

which being read and considered was accepted, the womens meeting also concurring therewith, and he is accordingly reinstated into membership with us, and John Howland is named to inform him thereof. —

J. S. Tillinghast's acknowledgm't. The acknowledgement above refered to is as follows viz "I have broken a rule of Discipline of the Society of Friends by launching into business beyond my ability to manage in the Truth, this has caused my conduct in other respects to be inconsistent as a member of the Society. I now deeply regret and condemn my conduct and should my friends still feel willing to continue their Christian care and oversight towards me, I will endeavour in future to give them no more cause to be grieved on my account

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends in New Bedford } Joseph S. Tillinghast

The Committee appointed in the 6th mo. 1828 to visit John H. Swain presented the following report: —

To the Monthly Meeting

Jno. H. Swain denied. Agreeably to appointment we some time past had an opportunity with John H. Swain and although he manifested some regard for society and as he was about going to sea wished the Committee to wait untill his return which was complied with yet on returning home it did not appear to us he was disposed to conform to what our discipline requires in cases of marrying contrary thereto. We now submit the case to the judgement of the meeting

Perry Russell
New Bedford 4 mo. 27 1836 William Tallman

which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm. C Taber is named to inform him thereof.

The Committee appointed last month to visit Israel Brayton made the following reports — viz

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Israel T. Brayton denied. Agreeably to appointment we have visited Israel Brayton on the subject of his complaint who received us in an open and friendly manner yet on communicating with him on the subject we found he was altogether inclined to leave our Society and give his attention exclusively to an others. Under these circumstances of the case, we can anticipate no benefit in longer continuing him a member of Society.

Job Eddy
New Bedford 4 mo. 27, 1836 Elisha Thornton

836 4mo which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting, we deny him the right of membership and Elisha Thornton is named to inform him hereof. –

The Committee appointed at the same time ~~made~~ this Com-mo, to visit James Shepherd made the following report. viz

To the Monthly Meeting

James Shepherd denied — The Committee appointed to visit James Shepherd report. We have had an opportunity with James Shepherd and did not find him in a state of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deviation in marriage, neither did he give us any encouragement of attending our meetings which we submit to the Monthly Meeting

Francis Baker
4mo 19 1836 — Geo. W. Baker

which being read was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and George W. Baker is named to inform him hereof

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Visits of Mary Card. — Our beloved friend Mary Card informed this meeting that she had for some time past felt her mind drawn under an apprehension of duty to visit the ensuing Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and some of the meetings belonging thereto also some meetings within the unity of Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, which being considered was feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect. she being a minister in unity with us.

Susan Howld — Our beloved friend Susan Howland laid before this meeting a concern that had for some months past impressed her mind to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York which being considered was feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect being a minister in unity with us –

Mary Howld — Our friend Mary Howland also informed this meeting that she felt willing to accompany her friend Susan Howland on her religious visit to the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York which was united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein being an elder in unity with us – And the Clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting ~~&c~~ in furnishing the above named friends with minutes embracing the substance of the minutes made in their cases respectively –

Ruth Davis — Our friend Ruth Davis informed this meeting that she had a prospect of making a social visit to her friends at Scipio in the State of New York and it might extend to Ohio if way should open and of attending some meetings on the way as they came in course which being considered, she was left at liberty to pursue her prospect, being a minister in unity with us and the Clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this. –

1836 4mo.

Our friend Abraham Davis informed this meeting that he had a prospect in company with his wife of visiting

Visit Abm. Davis & Wife. his relatives at Scipio, State of New York and if way should open in Ohio; which being considered they were left at liberty to pursue their prospect they being both ministers in unity with us.— And the Clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with a minute embracing the substance of this.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1836, 5 mo.— At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 26 1836. Representatives from New Bedford Weston Howland & Allen Kelley — Longplain, Thomas Howland & Areli D Wolf who are all present.—

The Committees appointed to inform John H Swain and Israel Brayton of the conclusions of this meeting in their cases respectively report their attention to their appointments.—

The London General Epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our edification.—

The Committees appointed to have the oversight of the marriages of Isaac C. Taber & Charlotte S. Wade and Saml. Kelley & Hannah S. A. Howland report that they were orderly conducted and the certificates delivered to the recorder.—

Complaint Henry S. Howld. The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Henry S. Howland has married in a manner contrary to the discipline of our Society, with one who is a member. Barnabas Taber and Perry Russell are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

Francis Allen. The Overseers of the same meeting also inform that Francis Allen has married contrary to the discipline of our Society, with one who is not a member— George W Baker and Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

Removal Certif. for W. Sampson & fam. recd. A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Sampson, his wife Charlotte C. Sampson and Sarah Swift a minor under their care was accepted.

Joseph Davis return. minute. Our friend Joseph Davis returned to this meeting the copy of a minute granted him in the 7th Mo last with satisfactory endorsements from Scipio Monthly Meeting held in the 4th Mo. 1836 and Scipio Quarterly Meeting held at Sceleton in the 10th Mo. 1835.—

Overseers of Mo. Mg. appointed. The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, Francis Taber Barnabas Taber Abraham Shearman Jr, Perry Russell, Abm. Davis Amaziah Delano and Seth C. Tillers are reappointed to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment

Overseers of Poor.— The friends now under appointment as overseers of the poor, viz. Wm. Tallman, Jos. Eddy, John Howland 2, Shadrach

1836. 5 mo. Davis ~~and~~ Daniel Davis and Amaziah Delano are continued in that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Recorder & Assistant. George W. Baker was appointed Recorder and Wm. C. Taber Assistant-Recorder of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

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6 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 mo. 23d. 1836.

Representatives. New Bedford, Elisha Thornton, Timothy King: Longplain, Isaac Hiller, Williams Davis who are all pres.

The Clerk being absent, Abraham Shearman jun. was appointed Clerk for the day.

Queries. The Queries were read, with answers to the 1st, 2d & 10 from which a summary was compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our Representatives who are Francis Taber, Benja. Swift, & Elisha Thornton.

Epistle read. An Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends held in London in 1835, addressed to the Quarterly & Monthly Meetings of Friends in Great Britain and Ireland, was read at this time, to our satisfaction and comfort.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the request of Allen Kelley, for the admission of four of his children into membership, presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

A. Kelley's Children recd. The Committee appointed to consider the request of Allen Kelley for the admission of four of his minor children into membership report, that they have given attention to their appointment, and after endeavouring to weigh the circumstances of the case, have thought that it may be best to receive them. Their names are, Zeno, Mercy F. William Penn, and Catherine C. Which they submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,

New Bedford, 6th mo 22d. 1836. } Abm. Shearman Jr.
Silvia Grinnell.

which being read and considered, was united with: and the Women's Meeting concurring therein; the Children named in the report, were received into membership.

Stephen Tripp. The Committee appointed to advise with Stephen Tripp relative to placing out his Son, report that they have attended to their appointment and think it may be safe for him to place him as proposed; which is united with.

Removl. Certif. Eunice Barnard. A removal Certificate directed to Swanzey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Eunice Barnard, was approved in concurrence with the Women's Meeting.

Mary S. Howl.d We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting an acknowledgment from Mary S. Howland.

D. H. Shearman, Certif. recd. A removal Certificate from Smithfield Mo. Meeting on behalf of Deborah H. Shearman was accepted.

6 mo. 1836

Susan & Mary Howland return minutes — Our friends Susan Howland and Mary Howland returned to this Meeting the minutes granted them in the 4th Mo. with satisfactory indorsements from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in New York last month.

Thos. Wood recd. — The Committee appointed to visit Thomas Wood in consequence of his request to be received into membership produced the following report viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Thomas Wood to a good degree of satisfaction and we think it may be safe to receive him into membership with us which we submit to the judgement of the Monthly Meeting

From your friends
John R. Davis
Amaziah Delano
Job Eddy

Fairhaven 6 mo. 22, 1836

which being solidly considered was united with and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting he was accordingly received as a member of our religious Society, and Shadrach Davis was named to inform him thereof. — Inform'd Tho.

Betsey P. Wood & Betsey G. Wd. recd. — We unite with the Womens meeting in receiving Betsey P. Wood wife of Thomas, and their daughter Betsey G. Wood as members of our religious Society.

Thos. N. Smith. Com. to prepare Certificate — We are informed that Thomas N. Smith has removed to Buffalo, within the limits of Hamburg Mo. Meeting, State of New York George W Baker and Weston Howland were appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report at a future meeting. —

Remov. Certif. for Edwd. G. Kelley — Edward G Kelley having requested a removal certificate to the Mo. Meeting of New York we appoint Elisha Thornton and John Howland 2d to give the necessary attention to the case and report at a future meeting. —

Albert Gifford requests a certificate to Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on account of marriage, Wm Tallman & Job Eddy are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting. —

The friend named to inform Joseph G. Tillinghast and also the friends named to inform James Shepherd and George Taber of the conclusion of the Meeting in their cases respectively report their attention to those services —

Visits of J. Lynch, V. & J. Meader — Our friends Joshua Lynch of Upper Springfield Mo. Meeting Ohio, and Valentine Meader and Joana Meader of Vassalboro Mo. Meeting, Maine have been acceptably with us at the present time, and produced satisfactory minutes expressive of the unity of their Friends with their ministry, and present religious engagements. — The two last not expecting to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting the Clerk was directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this so far as it respects them.

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England—Sixth Month, 1836.

The annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the various concerns of the Institution.

Since our last report, **Seth** and **Mary Davis** have, by their request, been released from their engagement as Superintendents, and **Enoch** and **Lydia Breed** have again come in temporarily, to supply their places. **Moses B. Lockwood**, **Jonathan Slocum**, **Louis Taber**, and **Valentine Meader**, are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and **Mary Ann Barker**, **Emmeline Aldrich**, and **Elizabeth H. Osborne**, in the Girls'. **George W. Read** is employed as Instructer in the Languages. **Isaac C. Hathaway** continues to exercise a care over the Boys out of school hours, and to act as book-keeper.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, and it appears that on account of some improvement in the buildings and for other purposes, some expenses have accrued beyond the usual expenditures, and that the receipts for board and tuition, from the income of the funds, and from other sources, have fallen short of meeting the expenses, about one thousand dollars; notwithstanding which, we think proper to propose, that the price for the admission of scholars, and the privilege to Monthly Meetings, be continued the same as last year.

In the 8th month last, the accompanying Circular on the subject of Plainness was forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings, and there appears at the present time to be a cheerful conformity on the part of the inmates of the Institution, to the requisitions therein contained.

The average number of Scholars during the past year, has been one hundred and twenty-seven.—Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony prevails.

In addition to the attention usually given to the School, the Committee deem it proper to inform the Yearly Meeting, that in the tenth and fourth months a special Committee visited the Schools, and spent several days in investigating the improvement of the Scholars and the condition of the Institution. By the reports of these Committees we are informed, that the state of the Schools, with respect to literary improvement, was very satisfactory, the exercises of the scholars evincing an industrious attention to their various studies. They also inform us, that the Schools are under good government, the children appearing readily to conform to the rules of the Institution.

On behalf of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, *Clerk.*

At a meeting of the Committee of the New-England Yearly Meeting Boarding School, held 8th month 7th, 1835—

The subject of an increased observance in this Institution of plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, having, from time to time, claimed the serious attention of this Committee, and a lively concern on this account having been manifested at our last Yearly Meeting, we have believed it right for us at this time to revive the subject to our friends, and to point out, more explicitly than we have heretofore done, what we consider a proper dress for the children of this School.

While we feel that we are not called upon to enter extensively into a vindication of the propriety of maintaining our testimonies in the particulars alluded to, we would affectionately remind our younger friends, that they are in accordance, as we believe, with the beautiful system of Christian simplicity taught by our blessed Lord and his apostles. And we may appeal to the experience of our Society to prove, that they have been as a hedge round about us, which it has ever been perilous to break down: and when, in individual instances, this has been done, that weakness and loss have been the consequence.

We should ever remember the apostolic exhortation, "Let your moderation be known unto all men." And "let not your adorning be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold and of putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is, in the sight of God, of great price."

Were our minds, dear friends, duly impressed with a sense of the matchless love of our adorable Redeemer and Preserver—were our hopes and dependence placed on Him—how should we be raised above the undue attachment to the things of time and sense and a conformity to the vain fashions and customs of the world. And in accordance with the recommendations of our Discipline, we earnestly desire that parents and guardians would impress upon the minds of their children, the necessity of maintaining plainness of speech and behaviour, which is strictly required in the School. And it will be expected of every male admitted into this Institution, that his body-coat, jacket and vest, be single-breasted, and without lappels or falling collars, and that where any of these are figured, that they be of patterns consistent with the plainness required in other parts of the dress—and that they wear hats, caps being excluded.

In the dress of females we expect a correspondent degree of plainness, and that they avoid the extravagance of the fashions of the present day. They will be required to wear silk, or plain straw bonnets, without any trimmings for ornament. Their frocks or gowns should be of materials that are plain in color, and conformable in the size of the sleeves, and in other respects to convenience and propriety, and not according to the vain fashions of the world. Their handkerchiefs and collars should be without edgings or trimmings—and no article intended for ornament merely, will be permitted to be worn.

In order to carry into effect these regulations, the Superintendents are to examine the trunks and packages of the children previous to admission, and if any articles are found unsuitable on account of plainness, or for any other cause, they will be laid aside, or altered, and the expense charged to the parents or guardians.

No Scholar will be admitted into the School after the present quarter, or permitted to remain here, who does not comply strictly with these regulations. And Committees of Monthly Meetings are desired to be careful not to give certificates to any children who will not conform thereto.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, *Clerk.*

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, Sixth Month, 1836.

The Committee to whom was referred the answers to the Queries in regard to Schools, and the subject of Education generally, produced the following Report, which was acceptable to the Meeting. And a concern being felt by Friends, that the interesting subject of the guarded education of our beloved children and youth, may continue to rest impressively upon the minds of all our members, and produce such efforts to accomplish the object in view as circumstances will admit, the Clerk was directed to forward copies of the Report to our subordinate Meetings, and they were requested to pay the necessary attention to preparing Answers, giving as much in detail as they are able, the information required; and transmit such answers and information, through the usual channels of communication, to this Meeting next year. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, JUN. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, report, That they have taken it into consideration, and formed a digest of the information received from the several Quarterly Meetings. They regret that this information is not more complete in its details, to enable the Yearly Meeting to have a more definite knowledge of the number of children that have attended select or family schools the past year. The accounts, however, afford evidence that increased attention has been given to the subject, while they believe that much yet remains to be accomplished, within the power of Friends. The Committee are desirous that all our members should be encouraged to persevere in this important and very interesting concern. Were a more lively interest awakened, and renewed efforts made in reference to it, the results would doubtless prove extensively beneficial, and afford a source of satisfaction to those engaged to promote the guarded education of their children. By the accounts reeceived, there appear to have been, in the course of the year,

22 Family,
2 Preparative Meeting,
and 3 Monthly Meeting Schools,

one or two of which have continued the greater part of the year, while the remainder have generally continued a few months only. The number of scholars that have attended them is reported to be about four hundred; making an increase since last year of nearly two hundred. Although we find by the reports, that the number of Friends' children within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, between the ages of *four* and *twenty-one*, is upwards of three thousand, yet about one seventh only, enjoy the advantages of schools under the care of members of our society. From this view of the subject, the importance of further exertion will urge itself, with peculiar force, upon the minds of Friends.

The Committee are well aware, from the scattered location of Friends in some parts of the Yearly Meeting, that many difficulties are to be encountered in carrying their wishes into practical effect. In concluding this report, however, we can but express an earnest desire, that the younger members of the society who expect to engage in the business of teaching, would participate in the concern which attends the minds of their elder brethren and sisters; and if they sometimes make a trifling sacrifice on their own part, to enable parents to avail themselves more extensively of their services, the consciousness of having been instrumental in doing good, will no doubt, be a sufficient reward. We do, therefore, earnestly hope, that a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of their own society, with the desire of becoming its useful instruments, will induce them to adopt a disinterested course, in accordance with Christian duty.

We would propose to the Yearly Meeting, that the Queries adopted last year, be again sent down to the subordinate Meetings, with a note appended, requesting them to be particular in making full and definite reports of *all* the Children that attend schools under the care of Friends, and in giving such other information in relation to this subject, as may be interesting and useful to the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,

MOSES A. CARTLAND.

NEWPORT, 6 mo. 17, 1836.

The Queries above referred to, are,

1. How many Schools are there within your limits, under the care of Friends, (distinguishing between Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting, and Family Schools)—and what has been the average duration of these Schools during the year?

2. How many children of Friends have attended Friends' Schools within the year?

[Monthly Meetings are requested to answer these Queries in season for the spring Quarterly Meetings, and to add any further information on the subject of Schools that it may seem desirable for the Yearly Meeting to become possessed of, in conformity with the above Report. And Quarterly Meetings are desired to transmit these answers to our next Yearly Meeting.]

o 1836 — S. Woolman — Our friend Samuel Woolman of Upper Springfield Mo. Meeting, Ohio companion to our friend Joshua Lynch has also been acceptably with us.

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7 mo. — At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 7 mo. 28. 1836
Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & Wm. Sampson
Longplain Wm. R. Taber & John Wood, who are all present

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that two of their number attended and that a satisfactory reason was assigned for the absence of the other friend named for that service

Complaint J. Grinnell 2d — The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative inform that Joseph Grinnell 2d has wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and that an interview has been had with him on the subject, by one of the Overseers, in which he gave no encouragement of again attending them — Job Eddy & Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future Meeting. —

E. G. Kelley — A removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Edward G. Kelley is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk. —

J. West's Estate — The Committee appointed to examine and settle the accounts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West presented the following report which was accepted viz.

New Bedford 7 mo. 28 1836

We have this day settled with the Trustees of the Estate of John West and find a balance in their hands of one hundred twelve 95/100 dollars

Job Eddy
George W. Baker

E. Thornton Jr denied — The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to visit Elisha Thornton Jr presented the following report viz.

"The Committee appointed to visit Elisha Thornton Jr report that way has not opened for the Committee together, to have an opportunity with him but he has been conversed with, on the subject of the complaint at different times by both of us he stated that his mind was so fully made up that a further interview could be of no use — it is our judgement that further labour in the case would not be useful which we submit to the Monthly Meeting

William Tallman
New Bedford 7 mo. 26. 1836 — George W. Baker

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and George Howland is named to inform him thereof. — informed

A certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Albert Gifford was approved. —

A minute of our last Yearly Meeting declaratory

1836 7mo of the views of friends on some doctrinal subjects and cautioning its members against unauthorised publications purporting to be expositions of the principles of our religious Society was received and read to our satisfaction.

The report of the Boarding School Committee presented to our last Yearly Meeting also the report of a Committee on the subject of Education presented to the same meeting with Queries annexed to be answered by the Monthly Meetings were received and read.—

We are informed by a minute from our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the stock proposed to be raised for the service of that meeting is ninety nine dollars.—

Wm. C. Taber Clerk

8mo 25 At NewBedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 25 1836 Representatives from NewBedford Resolved Howland & Barnabas Taber — Longplain Wing Howland & John Taber who are all present

Joseph Kempton requests a certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting — Resolved Howland and Joseph Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly meeting

Jno. Wood & Betsey G. Wd. John Wood and Betsey G. Wood appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each others in marriage, — Clother Gifford and Abeli DWolf are appointed to make the necessary inquiries relative to Johns clearness to proceed therein and report next month.

J. Holmes, jr. request. Josiah Holmes jr having requested to be received into membership Abrm. Shearman jr, Seth C. Hiller and Joseph Davis are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

Silas Swift, certif. recd. A certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Silas Swift—is accepted in concurrence with the womens meeting

Remov. Certifs. Miriam Macy Wm. H Macy, her son Lydia & Elizabeth Macy We unite with the Womens Meeting in approving removal certificates on behalf of Miriam H. P. Macy and her minor son William H Macy also for Lydia S. & Elizabeth H. Macy to New York Monthly Meeting.—

An extract from the minutes of Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting held 8mo 4. 1836 expressive of the unity of that meeting with

Mary Card. the company and religious labours of our friend Mary Card during her late religious visit was received and read.—

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal

certif. for Mary Swift & childn recd. certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Swift and her children Rachel S. & Wm. S. Swift.—

Wm. C. Taber Clerk

YEARLY MEETING
OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE ISLAND, SIXTH MONTH, 1836.

THIS Meeting having become painfully aware, that there are in circulation among our members, various publications, purporting to be treatises upon, and expositions of the principles of our religious society, in various points of doctrine; but which are unauthorised by the society, and which give unsound and unjust views of our Christian principles, and are calculated to lead the minds of the unwary away from the faith once delivered to the saints, and from a settlement in the blessed truths of the Gospel always most surely believed and professed by us as a people, have felt themselves bound again to declare their unshaken faith in the truths thus sought to be laid waste.

We have always believed, we have been unwavering in our acknowledgment and profession of the truths declared in the Holy Scriptures, respecting the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in the flesh, that "He was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of
" the Virgin Mary, lived and suffered in the world,
" went about doing good, enforced by his precepts
" and doctrines, the future rewards of the righteous
" and the punishment of the wicked, and by miracles,
" healing all manner of diseases and sickness among
" the people, he shewed forth his power, his good-
" ness and his wonderful works among the children

"of men, and finally made an offering of himself on "the cross, as a propitiation for our sins, and not for "ours only, but for the sins of the whole world."— And we are prepared to confess, that no other foundation can any man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ; or in the words of George Fox to the governor of Barbadoes, "This Jesus, who was the "foundation of the apostles and prophets, is our "foundation; and we believe there is no other foun-"dation to be laid, but that which is laid, even "Christ Jesus; who tasted death for every man, "shed his blood for all men, and is the propitiation "for our sins." We have also been constant in the profession of our belief of the authenticity and divine authority of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, and in accordance with the testimony of Robert Barclay, do freely confess, "that "whatsoever doctrine is contrary unto their testi-"mony may therefore be justly rejected as false."— And further, in the words of the same writer, "We "do firmly believe that there is no other gospel or "doctrine to be preached, but that which was de-"livered to the apostles, and do freely subscribe to "that saying, Let him that preacheth any other "gospel than that which hath been already preached "by the apostles, and according to the scriptures, "be accursed."

But while we have thus held and constantly professed, we have also been steadfast in our belief, according to the Scriptures, that this blessed Saviour appears in our hearts by his Spirit, according to his own testimony before he ascended to the glory which he had with the Father before the world was: "I will not leave you comfortless, I will come unto "you." John xiv. 18.—And to the testimony of the apostle: "For God, who commanded the light to "shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to "give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God "in the face of Jesus Christ." 2 Cor. iv. 6. And we have ever been concerned to direct all to the light of Christ in the secret of the soul, as that principle of Divine Life by which alone regeneration and sanctification are to be witnessed; by which alone our dark hearts can be illuminated, and we be made truly alive unto God. That while we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of our sins, and that those who were afar off are made nigh by the blood of Christ, we also firmly believe, that it is only through living faith in him that we can come to experience the blessed effects of what he hath wrought out for us; and this faith is not of ourselves, it is the gift of God.

We are concerned renewedly to bear our testimony to the spirituality of the Christian religion, that as the heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked, in our fallen and unregenerate estate, so it is in the heart that the work of grace must be experienced; and that in order thereto, we must submit to the cleansing operations of his Spirit there, become subject to his righteous government, and conformed to his holy will. Then indeed is he made unto us, "Wisdom and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption." 1 Cor. i. 30. It is only as we thus dwell under the influence of the Holy Spirit in our minds, that we can experience any right qualification to labour in the blessed Master's cause; and may we all seek after and wait for the fresh puttings forth of this heavenly Guide, ever bearing in mind the declaration of Christ, "Without me ye can do nothing."

We are concerned to exhort all our members to seek a settlement in these everlasting truths, and avoiding all speculation, rather humbly pray for ability in meekness and simplicity to obey God's holy will. Avoid therefore, we beseech you, all unprofitable reading, and the reception of those unsound doctrines and sentiments which are now in circulation. Rather reverently read and meditate in the Holy Scriptures, with humble prayer to the Lord that he would open your hearts to receive and savingly apply the glorious truths of his gospel;—so shall you be made partakers of his salvation.

Beloved Brethren and Sisters, we have no new doctrines to offer, but we feel earnestly engaged to exhort all our fellow members to a careful observance of that solemn warning of our Lord and Saviour: "The time shall come when they shall say, Lo, here is Christ, or lo, he is there; go not after them."

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Yearly Meeting, by

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. } *Clerks.*
HANNAH GOULD, Jun.

B. T. Congdon, Printer.

1836. 9 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo. 26 1836 Representatives from New Bedford — Weston Howland, John Howland Jr. Longplain — Stephen Tripp & Amaziah Delano who are all present.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from

Queries. the several Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Barnabas Taber, Job Eddy and William R Taber.—

J. G. Swain. Joseph G. Swain having requested a removal certificate to Hartland Monthly Meeting, State of New York; Elisha Thornton and George W. Baker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Complaint. The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform

Silas Brownell that Silas Brownell has married out of the order of our Society, Sands Wing & Wm R. Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Dartm. Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Kempton is approved.

John Wood and Betsey G. Wood having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and John R. Davis and William R Taber are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report next month.—

E. Angier, late Rotch, denied. We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Angier (late Rotch) who has married out of the order of our Society.—

The Committee appointed in the 7th Mo. last to visit Joseph Grinnell 2d presented the following report; viz

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

J. Grinnell 2d denied. Agreeably to appointment we have had an interview with Joseph Grinnell 2d on the subject of his complaint.— Although he appeared to indulge no unfriendly feelings toward our Society yet the situation in which he hath of latter time been placed in the company with which he has associated, hath inclined him to forsake assembling with us and at the same time given him a decided preference for an other; Under this view of the case we are impressed with a belief, that no further attention from us is required or can be useful.—

New Bedford 9 mo. 22. 1836

Job Eddy
Elisha Thornton

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and John Howland Jr. is named to inform him thereof.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk.

10mo 1836 At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 10mo 27. 1836
Representatives from New Bedford William Tallman, Timothy Akin — Longplain Robert Brownell, Benjamin Taber who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.—

A Kelley & Emily W. Brownell. Allen Kelley and Emily W. Brownell appeared in this Meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. Benjamin Swift, Aaron W. Kempton and Elisha Thornton are appointed to make the necessary enquiries relative to Allens clearness to proceed therein and report next month.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Jno Wood & B. G. Wood. The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of John Wood & Betsey G. Wood report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.

E. Thornton Jr & Jos. Grinnell 2d inform. The friends named to inform Elisha Thornton Jr and Joseph Grinnell 2d of the minutes of denial made in their respective cases report their attention thereto.

The Committee appointed to visit Josiah Holmes Jr on account of his application to be received into membership, presented the following report. viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

Josiah Holmes jr receivd.— Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Josiah Holmes Jr. He appears to have been convinced of the truth of the principles professed by our Society, and to be endeavouring in good measure to live consistently therewith; and we think was actuated by a sense of duty in making the application.— We are united in believing that it may be safe to grant his request, which we submit to the consideration of the meeting.

On behalf of the Committee
Abm Shearman Jr
New Bedford 10mo 23. 1836 Joseph Davis

which being considered was united with and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting he is accordingly received as a member of our religious Society.

Jos. G. Swain, remov.— A certificate to Starkand Monthly Meeting, State of New York on behalf of Joseph G. Swain is approved.

minutes returnd by A & A. Davis Our friends Abraham & Abigail Davis returned to this meeting a minute furnished them to Scipio Monthly Meeting, State of New York with an endorsement from that meeting certifying that their company and gospel labours had been acceptable and edifying.—

copy of minute for Mary Card. recd— A copy of a minute from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting held 8mo 11. 1836 was received and read, certifying that the company and gospel labours of our friend Mary Card during her late religious visit within the limits that meeting were acceptable.—

10mo. 1836

Certif. recd for Sylvia Delano

A certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sylvia Delano was accepted in concurrence with the Womens Meeting.

The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester not being ready to report at this time are continued on that Service and requested to report next month.

Wm. C. Taber, clerk

11mo. 1836

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo. 24. 1836

Representatives from New Bedford, Job Eddy & George Howland Longplain Sands Wing & Wm R. Taber who are all present except one.

Queries, &c

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a Summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Francis Taber Geo. W. Baker & Sands Wing.

A. Kelley and E. W. Brownell.

Allen Kelley and Emily W. Brownell having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and John R. Davis and Benjamin Taber are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report at our next Monthly Meeting. — And a meeting is appointed to be held at Acushnet on 6th day (12mo. 2d) at 2 Oclock for the solemnization of their said marriage —

Complaint J. Ricketson jr.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Joseph Ricketson jr has wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of again attending them, George W. Baker and John Howland jr are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting. —

Geo. F. Barnard & family. Certif. requested

George F. Barnard having requested a certificate for himself and family to Nantucket Monthly Meeting — Abraham Barker and Edmund Gardner are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting. —

Report of Roches.r Committee.

The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following report, viz:

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester report, that they have continued as way has opened for it to visit the Meetings held there; and after deliberately considering the subject, feel best satisfied to propose, that they be held another year, as heretofore under the care of a Committee, — with the exception, that they have thought it would be well to discontinue the midweek meeting at the time of our several Quarterly Meetings.

Which is submitted to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting

New Bedford 11mo. 23, 1836

On behalf of the Committee
Abm. Shearman Jr
Mary Taber

1836 11th Mo. which being read and considered was united with and the wome
concurring therein the meeting is continued another year as heretofo
with the exception of the proposed alteration in the mid-week meeting
under the care of the same Committee who are requested to report a
the expiration of their appointments.-

The Committee appointed in the 5th Mo: last to visit
Francis Allen denied. Francis Allen presented the following report, viz

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have had an opportunity wit
Francis Allen on the subject of his complaint - We were rather
inclined to believe that his deviations from the good order and
rules of our Society, have been more the result of a lack of fully
comprehending their utility than from any disposition wilfully to
disregard their wholesome admonitions;- nevertheless from his
present location with the prospect of his future occupation (which
will be a seafaring life) he thought it would be very seldom tha
he should attend friends meetings if he was continued in Society,
which being duly considered by us we have come to the conclusion
that retaining him longer under present circumstances would neith
promote his wellfare nor benefit Society

Elisha Thornton
New Bedford 11 Mo. 24. 1836 Geo. W. Baker

Which being read and considered and having the concurrence
of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and
informed George W Baker is named to inform him hereof-

Minute return. by R. Davis Our friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a copy
of a minute furnished her to Scipio Monthly Meeting State of
New York with an extract from the minutes of that meeting held
7 Mo 20 1836 certifying that her company and gospel labours had
been acceptable and edifying

Address, Mtg. for Suffgs. An address from the Meeting for Sufferings of our Yearly
Meeting to the Members of society and others was read to our satis-
faction and directed to be distributed-

Com. to settle Treasurer's Accounts, &c. John Howland Jr, George Howland, Daniel Butler, Sands
Wing, John Wood & Seth C Hiller are appointed to examine
and settle the Treasurers accounts; to ascertain what sum is neces-
sary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year,
to propose a Treasurer and also to propose an apportionment of the
sum raised between our two Preparative Meetings,

Minor Childn of J. Hutchinson Jr. We are informed that three minor children of John Hutchinson
Jr. have removed with their parents to reside at Brooklyn within the
limits of New York Monthly Meeting Elisha Thornton and William
Tallman are appointed to prepare a certificate for them and present
at a future meeting. - (Their names are Joseph Peirce, Mary Peirce & John Hewitter)

Wm. C. Taber Clerk

AN ADDRESS

FROM THE

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

For New-England, to the Members of the
Society and others.

AN ADDRESS.

At a Meeting of the Representatives of the Society of Friends in New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth month, 1836.—An affecting account of the evils attendant upon the introduction of ardent spirits, and fire arms and other munitions of war, among the natives of some of the Islands of the Pacific Ocean, was communicated to the Meeting through its foreign correspondence—and being aware that many vessels sailing from the various ports of New-England, were in the habit in the course of their voyages of touching at these Islands for the purpose of trade or refreshment, the Meeting is anxiously desirous of discouraging, as much as in it lies, the practice of carrying these articles for the purpose of introducing them among those people.

In pursuance of this desire, we feel constrained, in Christian love, earnestly to exhort all such as are in membership with us, who, in the course of their business, are concerned in ships touching at these Islands, to be exceedingly watchful in guarding every possible avenue by which such ships, or their officers or crews, may become the means of carrying these destroying articles among these people. We feel that it cannot be necessary on the present occasion, in calling the attention of the members of the Society of Friends to this important subject, to do more than to remind them of the uniform concern of the Society to discourage the use of ardent spirits, and of their ancient and steady testimony against the lawfulness of all wars and fightings, and consequently against suffering any in their employ to trade in these articles.

We feel that we live in a land in which the principles and precepts of the religion of Jesus Christ are very generally acknowledged to be of binding validity, and that therefore we may, as professors of a common faith, extend our address beyond the pale of our own Society, and, in the Christian feeling which wishes the welfare of the human family, remind all who shall read this address of that beautiful precept of the Lord Jesus Christ—"all things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets." It appears to us that no one can for a moment doubt, that dreadful effects must inevitably follow the introduction of intoxicating drinks, among a people, unfurnished as the natives of the South Sea Islands are, with those powerful motives which measurably stay their fearful progress in a land, which, like ours, has been long blessed with the possession of the Holy Scriptures, which emphatically teach *temperance* in all things. Few, if any of the inhabitants of our own favored country, can have failed to have witnessed the ravages of intemperance among ourselves. Few, if any, can have failed to have seen the victims of this vice, become the degraded objects of commiseration, lost to all usefulness to their fellow men, and fit only to excite the pity of those around them. And if such be the effects of intemperance here, surrounded as we are with such powerful motives to avoid it, and with such untiring exertions constantly in operation to stay the destroyer, how fearfully desolating must be its effects among a people who lack, in a great measure, these aids to virtuous restraint;—and to whose minds much that would be powerful here, must be addressed in vain.

We are authorized by the information we have received, to state, that in some of these Islands, there is a fearful destruction of human life, hastened by the use of ardent spirits; whole families in some cases both old and young being swept away. Surely something should be done to stop this desolating scourge of the human race. It is the suffering cause of an afflicted, injured people, and calls loudly for the attention of all who wish well to their fellow men Can any who share the feelings of good will to man, be instrumental in producing madness among these natives, by furnishing the means of intoxication, and then supply them with weapons of destruction to complete their misery? Does it need more than a simple statement of the evils produced, to cause every one to pause, ere he incurs the awful responsibility of contributing to evils like these? The Bible declares that "verily there is a reward for the righteous, verily he is a God who judgeth in the earth" and can he be held guiltless who shall thus contribute to so much and such hopeless misery?

If it be true that accountability is proportioned to knowledge and the opportunities for information, how exceedingly must the responsibility of the people of our country be increased by the high and important privileges enjoyed by us, and how exceedingly to be desired it is, that we might become the happy instruments in the Lord's hand of spreading the blessings of civilization, and the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, among those to whom they have not been so fully made known, and that we should spread this knowledge of these glorious Truths, unaccompanied by the evils and scourges which are too prevalent among the civilized portion of the human family. If pure Christianity, in all its glorious fulness, could be introduced, how would the wilderness and the solitary place be glad, the desert rejoice and blossom as the rose, and from the waste places of the earth sweet incense arise to the God and Father of all, for his abundant mercies?

Let us in the love of the Gospel, convey to all who shall read this appeal, the pathetic language of one of the chiefs of the Island of Eimeo in the South Sea, addressed to one who was engaged in warning his people against the fearful evils of intemperance. " He wished to say to me," said this person, " that after what I had declared to them relating to the effects of strong drink, he hoped I would go to Brittany (meaning England,) and beg the people to have mercy on them; and then go to America, and beg them there to have mercy also, because it was those countries that sent the poison amongst them." We cordially respond to this simple and pathetic petition of this native chief on behalf of himself and his people, and earnestly desire that the inhabitants of this land may indeed have mercy upon them.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting aforesaid.

THOMAS HOWLAND. *Clerk.*

H. H. Brown.....Printer.

5:1 12mo

At NewBedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 22d 1836

Representatives from NewBedford William Sampson & Reuben Russell — Longplain, Lemuel Wood & Wing Howland who are all present.

Joseph Gifford & Mary Kempton

Joseph Gifford and Mary Kempton appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Thomas Wood request for his minor Children

Thomas Wood having requested that his minor children Gideon, Henry, Abby, George, Walter, Albert, Jabez & William might be received into membership with us, we appoint Job Eddy, Abrm Shearman Jr and Arele D'Wolf to take the subject of his request into consideration and report to a future meeting.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of P. Allen Kelleys marriage report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate left with the Recorder.

Jos. Ricketson Jr Disownd

The Committee appointed last month to visit Joseph Ricketson Jr presented the following report, viz.—

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit Joseph Ricketson Jr on account of his not attending our meetings report that we have had an interview with him at which he informed us that he had some time since deliberately come to the conclusion to attend the meetings of another religious denomination in preference to ours altho he entertained no unfriendly feelings toward the Society. It is our judgement that any further labour in the case would be unavailing.

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John Howland Jr
Geo. W. Baker

which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Geo. W Baker is named to inform him thereof.

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e. F. Barnard amily removed

A certificate to Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of George F Barnard, his wife Lydia and their minor son Thomas is approved.—

Report of Com. School for Scriptural Instruction

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Schools for Scriptural Instruction presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the School for Scriptural Instruction, report; That the school has been kept up during the past year and each school has been generally attended by two of the Committee. The services of the Teachers have been satisfactory and the Committee after deliberately considering the subject, have united in believing it best to propose a continuance of the School under the care of a Committee with the hope that it may prove beneficial to the children of our Society, and

1836 12mo and such others as are admitted

On behalf of the Committee
John Howland &
Susan Howland

New Bedford 12mo 18. 1836

which being read and considered was satisfactory to this meeting and in complyance with their recommendation the schools are

Same Committee Continued — continued another year under the care of the same committee who are requested to report at the expiration of their appointment the women also concurring herein.—

Cert. received in Ruth Smith — A certificate from Baltimore Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth Smith is accepted in concurrence with the Womens Meeting.

Sarah E. Allen & Mary C. Ruggles removed — We unite with the Womens Meeting in approving removal Certificates to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sarah E. Allen daughter of the late Jonathan W. Allen and to Swanzy Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary C. Ruggles minor daughter of Micah H. Ruggles.—

Committee to settle Treasurer Accts. report — The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer and for other purposes report:

"We have this day settled with William C Taber Treasurer of New Bedford Monthly Meeting and find a balance due him of ninety nine & 97/100 dollars.

We propose that the sum of eight hundred dollars be raised for the use of the meeting for the ensuing year and that William C. Taber be appointed Treasurer."

John Howland 2
Geo. Howland
Daniel Butler

New Bedford 12mo 7, 1836

$800 to be raised Treasurer appd. — which is accepted and in complyance therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of eight hundred dollars for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and William C Taber is appointed Treasurer.— On the subject of the apportionment they are not yet ready to make a final report not having conferred sufficiently together; they are therefore continued to report next month.

Joseph Taber, William R Taber, Abm. Barker, Joseph G. Tillinghast, Wing Howland and Charles Kempton are appointed to collect the sum proposed and present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1837 1mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 26. 1837

Representatives from New Bedford, Benjamin Swift, William Tallman — Longplain Sands Wing, Thomas Howland who are all present.—

Clerks appointed — The time for which the Clerk & Assistant were appointed having expired Wm. C. Taber is appointed clerk and Geo. W. Baker assistant clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Jos. Gifford & Mary Kempton — Joseph Gifford and Mary Kempton having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking

1837 1mo each other in marriage and they having consent of their only surviving parent and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and John R. Davis and Thomas Wood are named to have the oversight thereof, and report next month.—

Complaint
Samuel Davis

The Overseers of Longplain preparative meeting inform that Samuel Davis has married out of the order of our Society with one who is a member.— Francis Taber and Abraham Shearman are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

Minor Children
J. Hutchinson
Removed

A removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Pease Mary Pease and John Lindley Hutchinson minor children of John Hutchinson is approved

Apportionment
New Bedford &
Longplain P. Mtgs

The Committee appointed to apportion the sums raised for the use of this meeting between our two Preparative Meetings report that they have concluded to recommend that New Bedford Preparative Meeting pay 92 pr ct. and Longplain Preparative Meeting 8 pr ct. which is accepted.—

Visits
of
Susan Howland

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland informed us that she had a prospect of attending the ensuing Quarterly Mtg. of Rhode Island to be held at Providence and also laid before this meeting a concern that had for some time impressed her mind to visit the families of Friends of Providence Monthly Mtg. should way open for it— which being considered was feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct; she being a minister in unity with us

Mary Howland

Our esteemed friend Mary Howland also informed this meeting that she felt a willingness to accompany our friend Susan Howland in her proposed visit which was united with she being an Elder in unity with us:— and the Clerk was directed to furnish them respectively with minutes embracing the substance of these.—

T. N. Smith
Removed
Cert. not forwarded

A removal certificate to Hamburg Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas N. Smith is approved.— Wm C. Taber, Clerk

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2mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 23 1837
Representatives from New Bedford Wm Tallman & John Howland 2d Longplain John Taber and Wing Howland were all present.

Visits
of
John Meader
& Wife

Our esteemed friend John Meader and his wife Elizabeth Meader attended this meeting with minutes from Berwick Monthly Meeting held 11mo 24 1836. Their company and gospel services have been truly acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this minute. Our friend

Nathan Breed

Nathan Breed companion to John Meader has also been acceptably with us at this time.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of

1837 2mo Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following report - viz

Report of Committee to have Oversight Funerals & care Burial Grounds

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report, that we have extended an oversight to all funerals that have come to our knowledge and have complied with the conclusions of the Monthly Meeting in regard to the interment of persons not members of our Society. There have been no Stones of distinction erected in our Burial Ground and none removed since our last annual report.

On behalf of the Committee
2mo 9, 1837 Barnl. Taber

Committee Continued except D. Davis

which being considered was accepted and the Committee now under appointment with the exception of Daniel Davis are continued in that service ~~for another year~~ and Sands Wing and Clother Gifford are added to the same for another year and they are requested to report at its expiration -

Thomas Wood's minor Children received

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the request of Thomas Wood that his minor Children might be received into membership presented the following report viz

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to consider the request of Thomas Wood for his minor Children to be received into membership, report, that they have attended to their appointment and have visited the family to a good degree of satisfaction; and have also had interviews with the elder children who we found united with the request of their parents and manifested an attachment to the principles of our Society. After deliberate consideration of the subject, we unitedly feel a willingness that their request should be granted. Which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee
Abrm Shearman Jr.
New Bedford 2mo 23 1837 Grace Davis

which being considered was fully united with, and the women concurring herein, they are accordingly received as members of our religious Society. - (for their names see 12mo 1836.)

$800 raised

The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the use of this meeting, presented the Treasurers receipt for eight-hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised -

We are informed that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting. -

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Joseph Gifford and Mary Kimpton report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Friends Schools

George W Baker, Wm C Taber, Sands Wing & John Wood are appointed to prepare answers to the Queries on the Subject of Friends Schools sent down from our last Yearly Meeting and present the same to our next Monthly Meeting

Wm C Taber

1837 3rd mo

At New Bedford Monthly meeting held 23rd of 3rd month 1837. Representatives from New Bedford Wm Tallman and Timothy Aikin. Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr. and Stephen Tripp who were present with the exception of Timothy Aikin and Josiah Holmes Jr. for whose absence satisfactory reasons were rendered.

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker was appointed Clerk for the day

Queries — The queries were read in this meeting with answers a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are Job Eddy Amariah Delano and Barnabas Taber

The Committee appointed for that purpose at our

Education — last monthly meeting produced answers to the Queries on the subject of Education which were directed to be forwarded to the Month meeting

The following account to the Quarterly meeting was approved viz

To Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

Account to Q. Meeting — Dear Friends

The queries were read in this meeting with answers from which a summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the by our representatives who are Job Eddy Amariah Delano and Barnabas Taber

Our proportion of Stock has been paid to your Treasurer.

A minute of our last Yearly Meeting declaratory of the views of Friends on some doctrinal subjects was received and read to our satisfaction. The report of the Boarding school Committee presented to our last Yearly meeting and the report of a Committee on the subject of Education embracing Queries to be answered by the monthly meetings were also received and read. Answers compiled with reference to these queries are annexed

Signed on behalf and by direction of New Bedford Monthly meeting held 23rd of 3rd m. 1837

by Geo. W. Baker Clk for the day

Answers to Queries Education &c — Ans. 1st One school under the care of New Bedford Preparative meeting has been kept through the year.

Ans. 2d The whole number of children, members of society who have attended the Preparative meeting school thirty one. average number about twenty and twenty four children have been some portion of the past year at Friends Boarding school at Providence.

1837 3mo

Minute returned, Susan Howland

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute granted her in the 1st mo. last and she informed the meeting that she had been favored to accomplish her prospect in a good degree to the satisfaction of her own mind

Mary Howland

Our esteemed friend Mary Howland also returned to this meeting a minute granted her in the first mo. last and expressed to the meeting that she had accompanied our friend Susan Howland in her late visit with a good degree of satisfaction

R. Davis 2d Minute return'd

Being informed that Russell Davis 2d on whose behalf a copy of a minute was received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting has accomplished his apprenticeship here and has returned to Falmouth: the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to the monthly meeting aforesaid

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for the day

4mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 17, 1837
Representatives from New Bedford Wm Sampson & Weston Howland
Longplain — Amaziah Delano & Eli Elliot, who are all present.

Complaint Wm R. Robeson

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Wm R. Robeson who agreeably to the Discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of meeting with us in future. Joseph Davis, Wm Tallman and Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Complaint Albert Gifford

The Overseers of the same meeting also inform that Albert Gifford has for several years past been in the practice at times of partaking to excess of Spirituous Liquors or other things of an intoxicating nature and that they have laboured with him from time to time on this account. John Howland 2d, Wm R. Taber and Job Eddy are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting

Cert. return'd G. F. Barnard & family

A certificate to Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of George F. Barnard his wife Lydia and their minor son Thomas furnished in the 12mo. last is now returned to this meeting, he having removed with his family to reside within our limits

Geo. Davis denied

The Committee appointed in the 5mo 1834 to visit George Davis made the following report.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

We your Committee appointed in the case of George Davis report that we have attended to our appointment; have had several opportunities with him without the desired effect; he continuing to neglect the attendance of our religious meetings and giving no encouragement that he shall in future attend them. Believing that we can be of no further use in the case we submit the same to the Monthly Meeting.

Shadrach Davis
Clothier Gifford

1837 4th mo which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and

Informed Sands Wing is named to inform him hereof.

Mary Talley cert. received A removal certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Talley, a minister in unity, is accepted.

Abraham Davis is named on the Committee in the case of Alexander Howland in place of Daniel Davis -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended

Visits Ruth Davis Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis opened in this meeting a concern she had felt to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and some of the Meetings within its limits also to visit the families of friends of Greenwich Monthly Meeting which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to persue her prospect she being a minister in unity with us and the Clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

J. Davis Our Esteemed friend Joseph Davis also informed this meeting that he felt a willingness to accompany Ruth Davis on her proposed visit which was also united with, he being a minister in unity with us and the Clerk was directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Cert. received S. G. Kempton A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan G. Kempton wife of Joseph Kempton is accepted in concurrence with the Womens Meeting.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

5th mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th mo 25th 1837 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Kempton & Benjamin Swift - Longplain Thomas H. Howland & Amaziah Delano who are all present.

Complaint Alex. Wall The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Alexander Wall has long been neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings and has of latter time wholly ceased to attend them and that much labour has been extended in the case - Elisha Thornton and George W Baker are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

F. G. Hathaway denied The Committee appointed as by minute of 11th month 1832 to visit Francis G. Hathaway having informed the meeting that in consequence of his absence from the country during most of the time since their appointment they have not had an opportunity of visiting him — this Meeting having had the subject previously before them and believing that longer delay would not be useful has now after a further consideration of the circumstances of the case come to the conclusion to deny him the right of membership the women also concurring herein and Wm Tallman is named to inform him hereof when opportunity presents.

1837 5 m^o

Abigail Howland & daughter Cert. rec^d — A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Abigail Howland and her daughter Silvia is accepted in concurrence with the womens meeting.

Removal Cert to Amey Proud & Mary Gifford — Removal certificates to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Amey Proud and to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Gifford wife of Joseph Gifford are approved in concurrence with the womens meeting.–

London Epistle 1836 — The London Yearly Meeting Epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction –

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

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6 m^o

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 m^o 22 1837 Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell and Resolved Howland Longplain Seth. C. Hiller & Americh Delano – who are all present

The Clerk being absent on account of ill health George W. Baker was appointed Clerk for the day.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1^st 2^d & 10^th from which a summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are John Howland Jr. Barnabas Taber & Geo. W. Baker

Dan^l Davis' acknowledgement rec^d — The Committee appointed to visit Daniel Davis on account of his marrying out of the order of society produced the following report and acknowledgements — viz

To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Daniel Davis. In the interviews we have had with him on account of his deviation in marriage we have found him open and candid on the subject He stated to us. that he had made proposals of marriage some months previous to the alteratation of the discipline, without any knowledge that such alteration was contemplated and that such was his regard for the order of society. that if the discipline had previously stood as it now does he feels confident that no step of the kind wou'd have been taken by him.– & After a careful consideration of the circumstances of the case in connection with the state of mind which he has manifested towards the society we are united in believing it best to lay the accompanying acknowledgement before the meeting; and to submit the case to its consideration

Francis Taber
Abraham Shearman Jr

New Bedford 6 m^o 22. 1837

1837 6mo To the Monthly Meeting

Having deviated from the good order of the society in marrying contrary to the provisions of the discipline I am sincerely desirous that Friends would pass by this breach of the rules of the society and still continue me under their care: feeling that a loss would be sustained by me in being separated from it

Fair Haven 6mo. 21. 1837. Daniel Davis

After deliberate consideration and having the concurrence of the women's meeting it was concluded to accept the acknowledgement and continue him a member of our society & Abraham Davis is named to inform him hereof

Visit Isaac & A. M. Thorn — Our esteemed friends Isaac and Anna M. Thorn from Stanford Partners Mo. Meeting State of N. York & Abigail R. Hoey from Ferrisburg Mo. mtg state of Vermont attended this meeting with satisfactory minutes expressive of the unity of their friends at home with their ministry and present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us and the Clerks are directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this

Minutes Ruth Davis & Joseph Davis — A copy of a minute was received from South Kingston monthly Meeting held 5mo. 22. 1837. stating that the company and religious services of our friend Ruth Davis during her late religious visit was acceptable to them.

Our friend Joseph Davis returned to this meeting a copy of minute furnished him in the 4th Month last with a minute from South Kingston Monthly meeting stating that his Company and religious labours had been acceptable to them.

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for the day

7mo. — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 27, 1837

Representatives from New Bedford Timothy Akin & Benjamin Swift — Longplain Robert Brownell & Benjamin Taber who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The friend named to inform Daniel Davis of his acknowledgement being accepted reports his attention thereto.

Requisition on Meet'g Stock $145 53/100 — We are informed by a minute from our last Quarterly

1837 7mo Meeting that our proportion of Stock proposed to be raised for the service of that Meeting is $1148.50/100

Job Eddy having requested a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting for himself and wife Abrm. Barker & Barnabas Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting

Albert Gifford denied — The Committee appointed to visit Albert Gifford presented the following report—

"To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Albert Gifford, and are united in judgment, that he is not in a situation of mind to condemn his conduct but on the contrary persists in denying the charges made against him in the complaint from the overseers. We are therefore of opinion that we can be of no further use in the case; which we submit to the meeting

New Bedford 7mo 24. 1837

John Howland 2nd
Job Eddy
Wm C Taber

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Seth K. Akin is named to inform him thereof.

Alexr. Wall denied — The Committee appointed to visit Alexander Wall presented the following report—

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have had an interview with Alexander Wall on the subject of his complaint and can inform the Monthly Meeting that he gave us no encouragement of again assembling with us on a religious account. With this view of the case we can see little or no encouragement for its further continuance It may be as well to add that he remarked to us his withdrawal from our meetings was not in consequence of any disaffection with the society at large or any individual member of it.—

Elisha Thornton
New Bedford 7mo 26, 1837 Geo. W. Baker

Informed — which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Elisha Thornton is named to inform him thereof.—

John West Estate — The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the estate of John West report that they have examined their accounts and find a balance in their hands of fifty one 14/100 dolls.

A Barker auditor J West Estate — Abrm. Barker is appointed on the Committee to audit the accts. of the Trustees of the Estate of John West in the place of Job Eddy who is about to remove to another Monthly Meeting.—

Keziah Tobey recd — We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Keziah Tobey wife of George Tobey into membership with us

Sarah Davis acknowledgment recd — We also unite with the women in accepting the following acknowledgment from Sarah Davis wife of Daniel Davis and in continuing her in membership — viz

EXTRACTS

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 11th to the 16th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1837.

The annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and the attention given by the Committee to the concerns of the Institution placed under their care, was satisfactory to this Meeting. The following is the Report:—

TO THE YEARLY MEETING,

The Boarding School Committee Report, that they have endeavoured to discharge the duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, during the past year, in giving their attention to the various concerns of the Institution.

Meetings have been regularly continued, and harmony has prevailed. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and thirty-four. At the present time there are twelve scholars in the Institution who are not members of our religious Society, all but two of whom are connected with Friends. Our friends Enoch and Lydia Breed have continued, acceptably, to act as Superintendents, during the past year, but desiring to be released, we have at this time agreed with our friends Rowland and Alice Rathbun, to serve the Institution in that capacity, who are expected to enter upon this service the first of next month. Moses B. Lockwood, Jonathan L. Slocum, Samuel Austin and Lewis Taber are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary-Ann Barker, Emeline Aldrich, and Elizabeth H. Osborne, in the Girls'. George F. Reed is employed as instructor in the Languages. Isaac Hathaway continues to exercise a care over the Boys out of school hours, and to act as book-keeper, and Freelove Greene is employed as a care-taker of the Girls, and has charge of the sewing School.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the Institution is in debt, $5,158 65 cts. This debt may be ascribed, principally, to the high price, for the past two years, of the various articles of consumption required in the family, and to there not having been so large a number, as heretofore, admitted into the School, who were not members of our Society, the terms of whose admission are higher than for members. In order to meet the present deficiency, we have requested the Treasurer of the School Fund to effect a loan of five thousand dollars. It appearing to the Committee, that some means must be adopted to liquidate this debt, and to meet the probable current expenses of the School for the future, we propose for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, that Books and Stationary be charged to the scholars, at their cost at wholesale; that the privilege granted Monthly Meetings be suspended; that the allowance for travelling expenses to children who come from the three eastern Quarterly Meetings, be reduced from *six* to *four* cents per mile; and that the general price of board and tuition, (for members of this Yearly Meeting,) be raised to *seventeen* dollars per quarter, payable as heretofore, in *advance*—to commence on the first of *eighth* month next. By adopting this arrangement, with the probable reduction of cost in the articles of consumption, it is believed that the expenses of the School may be met, and the debt gradually discharged.

The amount of funds belonging to the Institution, for the schooling of poor children, including the bequest for that purpose by our late friend Moses Brown, is $6650. It is proposed that this should be kept, by the Treasurer, distinct from the general funds; and the income of it will support twelve children, six months each, at seventeen dollars per quarter.

We have continued to appoint committees to examine the School semi-annually, who, on these occasions, have devoted several days to the service. By their reports we are informed, that the general appearance of the School has been such as to give them much satisfaction. The scholars have given encouraging evidence of attention to their various studies, in most of which they have exhibited a proficiency alike creditable to them and to their teachers. There has been an agreeable manifestation of a conformity, on the part of the children, to the advice of Friends in respect to plainness.

In adverting to the past year we feel bound to acknowledge the preservation that has been mercifully extended to us, under which we trust, the School has been continued in good degree, in accordance with the intentions of the Yearly Meeting in its establishment.

On behalf of the Committee,
SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th of 5th month, 1837.

The several propositions, contained in the preceding Report of the Boarding School Committee, having been referred for consideration, to a Committee of this Meeting, they produced, at a subsequent sitting, the following Report, which was united with, and was directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, in connection with the Report of the School Committee, viz.

" *To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to take into consideration the propositions contained in the Report of the Boarding School Committee, report, that they have given them their careful consideration, and that they are united in opinion, that it will be best for the Yearly Meeting to adopt them, for the present year. We would propose however, (in accordance with the intention of the School Committee,) that the class Books, for reading, should be supplied to the scholars, free of expense, and that this information be appended to the Report of the School Committee.

"We would propose, in order for a proper selection of poor children to occupy the privilege of the charitable Fund,* that Monthly Meetings be requested to ascertain the number of children of this description, in their respective Meetings, and to communicate their names and ages to the acting Committee of the School, by the time of their meeting in the 9th month next, at Providence.

On behalf of the Committee,

THOMAS JONES,
Newport, 6th month 14, 1837. MARY T. BROWN."

[*The words of Moses Brown's Will, in relation to his bequest, are,—" for the schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such, by the respective Monthly Meetings; and females are to have equal advantages of the whole of this legacy as males."]

This Meeting having again taken under deliberate consideration, the propriety of admitting Children into its Boarding School, who are not members of our Society, came to the conclusion, that it would not be advisable to receive any children who are not members, except in those cases where one or both Parents are members, and who, in the judgment of the acting Committee, are proper subjects to become inmates of the Institution.

Answers to the Queries on the subject of Education, received from our several Quarterly Meetings, were read, and a Committee appointed to compile a digest of the information therein contained, and if way should open for it, to prepare a minute of advice on this subject. At a subsequent sitting, the Committee presented the following Report, viz.

" *To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, report, that by the information received from the several Quarterly Meetings, there appear to have been, in the course of the past year, three Monthly Meeting schools, averaging six months; three Preparative Meeting schools, which averaged eight months; fifteen Family schools, averaging seven months, and one recently established. Also five private or select schools, under the entire control of Friends, but not confined exclusively to Friends' children. The number of scholars who have attended the above schools, [or who have received instruction at the Yearly Meeting's Boarding school,] is reported to have been about five hundred and fifty; making an increase, since last year, of one hundred and fifty. Several district schools have been taught by members of our Society.

" Although the information derived from the answers to the Queries, is not so full and explicit as would have been desirable, yet it affords evidence of the interest felt, by many Friends, in the welfare of the rising generation, by providing the means of acquiring a guarded education. While some parents, in many parts of our widely extended Yearly Meeting, are making commendable exertions to bring up their children in the way they should go, we regret that this concern is not more extensively felt. In looking over our Society, and beholding the children who are soon to take the places of the parents, and upon whom the important concerns of Society must ere long devolve, a deep solicitude is felt on this account, that the clay in the hands of the potter may not be marred on the wheel. We are aware that some of the peculiar testimonies which we are called upon to sustain, and which distinguish us from other religious denominations, are liable to be viewed by our children, who are compelled to associate with others in acquiring a practical education, as presenting a formidable obstacle in the way of their continuing consistent members of our Society;—and we earnestly recommend to parents, and particularly to those whose locations are so remote from each other, as to render it impracticable to establish schools of their own, to endeavor to remove this obstacle, as far as it may be done, by providing the means of instruction in their own families, and by impressing upon the minds of their offspring the importance of building up this hedge about them, which may prove the blessing of preservation in after years.

" In conclusion, we would simply advert to the necessity of still maintaining a lively interest in this highly important and interesting concern, not only as a duty incumbent upon *us*, but as a means of contributing to the happiness and welfare of the beloved youth.

On behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM REYNOLDS."

Which having been read and considered, was satisfactory to us; and this Meeting having long been deeply interested for the guarded education of the children and youth of our Society, recommends this subject to the solid attention of Friends; and directs that copies of the Report be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,—Sixth month, 1837.

This Meeting having been brought under exercise for the preservation and right advancement of the Christian testimonies, which distinguish us, to a great extent at least, from the various other bodies of professing Christians,—a concern has prevailed, that in all our movements to promote the cause of truth and righteousness in the earth, whether it be the amelioration of the condition of our fellow beings who are suffering under oppression, or the moral and religious improvement of our brethren of the human family generally,—a recurrence may be had, by all our members, to the ground of religious concern, and to the guidance of that Wisdom which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be entreated,—and which is profitable to direct us in the path of safety. And under this exercise, an earnest solicitude has been felt, that we may do nothing to compromise the testimony to the spiritual nature of Divine worship, borne by our early Friends, when called upon to leave the various religious denominations with which they had been associated, and again to revive among the nations in which they were scattered, a testimony to the operative influence of the Spirit of Truth upon the mind of man, so amply borne witness to in the Holy Scriptures, as essentially necessary to the performance of every religious act, and for our guidance in every good word and work. And while we desire that we may all maintain a spirit and temper which will prevent us from condemning, or in any way attempting to impede the well meant endeavors of others to promote any of the objects of Christian benevolence, or of moral reform, that occupy the attention of the public mind, in the present day; we have believed that the preservation of the precious testimonies to which we have alluded, and our influence, as a religious Society, in promoting the important objects, alike desirable to every benevolent mind, very much depend upon a close adherence to our peculiar principles.

Under these considerations, we have believed, that to open our meeting-houses to Lecturers, whose opinions and principles, on many subjects, that *we* consider of primary importance, are widely different from ours, and which we apprehend are frequently brought into view in such lectures, will have a tendency to draw off the minds of our members, from an establishment in the truth of those principles which have ever been maintained by us, and from a practical exemplification of them in our conduct. It is therefore our advice and judgment, that all such applications for the use of our meeting-houses, may be discountenanced by Friends.

Extracted, by direction, from the Minutes of the Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

1837. 7mo

To the Monthly Meeting

Having deviated from the good order of Society in marrying contrary to the provisions of the Discipline I am sincerely desirous that Friends would pass by this breach of the rules of the Society and still continue me under their care, feeling that a loss would be sustained by me in being separated from it.

Fairhaven 7mo 15, 1837
Sarah Davis

Visit Ruth Davis — Our beloved friend Ruth Davis opened in this meeting a concern that had long rested on her mind with increasing weight to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings to be held at Lynn, ~~Salem~~ Falmouth and Vassalborough also some of the meetings within their limits particularly of the two last named meetings which being considered was fully united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as Truth may open the way - she being a minister in unity with us - and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this. -

Minute returned Ruth Davis — Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 4th month last to visit the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and some of the meetings within its limits also the families of friends of Greenwich Monthly Meeting with a minute from that meeting stating that her company and religious services had been to their satisfaction

Jos. Davis — A minute is also received from Greenwich Monthly Meet, held in the 5th month last stating that the company and services of our friend Joseph Davis had been acceptable to them

Report Board. School Com. &c read — Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the annual report of the Boarding School Committee with the report of a committee of that Meeting to whom it was referred also the action of the Meeting thereon; together with a report from a committee on the subject of education and the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting on the subject of opening our Meeting Houses to lectures were received and read.

(See printed sheet)

Charitable Fund B. School — Sands Wing, Barnabas Taber, Charles Gifford and Seth W. [illegible] are appointed to ascertain whether there are any children within our limits entitled to the priviledge of the Charitable Fund of Friends Boarding School and if they find any such to report their names and ages to the acting Committee of the School previous to their meeting in the 9th month next.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

8mo 1837 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 24, 1837

Representatives from New Bedford Barnabas Taber & Wm Tallman Fairhaven - Abel [illegible] & Sands Wing who are all present

Arnold Congdon & Lydia Howland — Arnold Congdon & Lydia Howland appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage.

1 mo. 1837 Prince Weeks & Silvia Delano also appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage

Overseers of Mtg. appointed — The time for which the overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired Francis Taber, Saml. Taber, Wm. Seaman & Benj. Russell, Abm. Davis, Amaziah Jenne & Seth C. Miller are reappointed to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Overseers of Poor. The friends now under appointment as overseers of the poor are continued in that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment with the addition of Elisha Thornton in place of Job Eddy removed to another Monthly Meeting.—

Recorders. George W. Baker is appointed Recorder and Wm. H. Taber assistant Recorder of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

Remov. Certif. J. Eddy & Wife A removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Job Eddy and wife is approved.—

Com: to visit Alexr. Howland Clothier Gifford is appointed on the Committee to visit Alexander Howland in place of Abraham Davis who is now excused at his own request.—

Removal Certif. Hannah Russell & Children We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hannah Russell wife of Benjamin Russell and her minor children Maria, Thomas S. & Loisa.—

Lydia Terrell late Haskins denied We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Lydia Terrell who has married out of the order of our society

Com: to visit C. Howland, Jr. Benjamin Swift is named on the committee to visit Cornl. Howland Jr. in place of Job Eddy removed.

Wm. Sisson minute returnd. One of the Overseers to whom were referred a minute from Dartmo. Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm. Sisson informs that two of their number have had an interview with him and find that altho' he has resided for a considerable time within our limits, yet he has not attended our meetings and gives but little encouragement of attending them in future; under these circumstances the Clerk is directed to return the minute to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting with our reasons for not accepting it —

Address of Yearly Mtg. subject of Slavery An address from our last Yearly Meeting to its own members and those of other Christian Communities on the subject of Slavery was read in this meeting to our satisfaction

Adjmt. of Mo. Mtg. It is concluded with the concurrence of the Womens ~~Meeting~~ to adjourn this meeting two weeks, viz. to the close of the meeting for worship to be held at New Bedford on 5th day the 7th of the ensuing month with a view to the more early accomplishment of the marriage of Prince Weeks and Silvia Delano.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

ADDRESS

OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

IN THE SIXTH MONTH, 1837,

TO ITS OWN MEMBERS, AND THOSE OF OTHER
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES.

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ADDRESS.

The subject of Slavery, as it now exists in some parts of our common country, having been brought impressively before us, at the present time, we have deemed it right to call the attention of our own, and of other Christian communities, to its serious consideration.

It is well known that the Society of Friends, as a religious body, have long maintained a decided testimony against holding their fellow men in bondage. A testimony which had its origin in a deep felt conviction that the practice could not be reconciled with the precepts and doctrines of the Christian religion. Yet in thus renewedly adverting to the subject, we feel no disposition to keep out of view, the fact, that in the earlier settlement of Friends in this country, many of them did, in common with other professors of the Christian name, participate in the practice; and we have thought that encouragement would be derived from a brief recurrence to the rise and progress of the concern for its removal, so far as relates to the Society of Friends.

Individuals of the Society, if not opposed to it from the commencement, very soon became uneasy with the system; they were drawn to a consideration of the subject on Christian principle, and becoming fully convinced that it was inconsistent with the spirit of the Gospel of love and peace, they felt themselves called upon, not only to bear an individual testimony against it, but from a sense of religious duty, to labour, in love, with their brethren, for its removal. They saw, that the descendants of Africa were fellow beings, equally with ourselves the objects of Divine regard, and that the sacred injunction of doing unto others, in all things, as we would that they should do unto us, was as applicable to them as to any other portion of the human family. The patient and persevering efforts of these, and of other pious men, who succeeded them, and in whom the love of God was largely accompanied with its never-failing attendant, the love of man, were eminently blessed;—the concern gradually extended, till neighborhoods and meetings were brought to see the inconsistency and injustice of claiming property in their fellow men;* and eventually the Society at large, having in their collective capacity, long been deeply exercised with a consideration of the subject, and having gradually advanced, step by step, towards so desirable a result, became united in restoring the enjoyment of the natural and inalienable rights of man, to all who had been held in a state of Slavery by members of the Society, throughout the several Yearly Meetings of Friends on this continent.—And for more than half a century, no person could hold his fellow being in bondage, and retain his connection with Friends.

Our predecessors in religious faith, having thus cleared themselves and the Society, from any participation in a practice which they believed to be inconsistent with the precepts and doctrines of our blessed Lord and his Apostles, the subject of Slavery has never ceased to occupy the feeling consideration of Friends, as a body of professing Christians, concerned for the promotion of truth and righteousness in the earth; and they have been led, from time to time, to cast whatever weight of influence they may have possessed, into the scale favorable to the cause of their enslaved fellow men, of African descent.

The testimony which was so dear to our worthy predecessors, and which they made many sacrifices to establish, (while Slavery was yet tolerated in *most*, if not *all* the States in which they resided,) is still cherished by us, and we have earnestly desired, may ever be inviolably maintained by all our members. We believe it to rest on the immutable basis of truth and justice, and of pure Christianity. We still continue deeply to sympathize with all who are under oppression. Yet we would remind all our dear Friends of every class and station in the Society, that as the concern had its origin in a faithful attention to the convictions of religious duty, so we believe that in all our efforts to advance *this* cause, as well as in every other *religious* concern, we should seek to Him, for the guidance of his Holy Spirit, who has declared, "Without me ye can do nothing." Thus should we become qualified, not only to see with clearness, what is called for at our hands, but the concern itself being preserved on its original ground, we should be enabled to labour for its advancement, under the influence of Gospel love, and with feelings of good will to every class of our fellow men. And we would, in tenderness of feeling add, that should any of our members be led, from whatever motive, to abandon *this* ground, we fear that not only an individual loss would be sustained, but that the cause itself would thereby suffer.

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*See Note, at close.

Let us then, dear Friends, continue to be united together, and act as one body, strengthening and encouraging one another, in our endeavors so to keep under the benign influence of the Spirit of the Gospel, in the discharge of this and every other Christian duty, that we may be enabled availingly to ask for right ability to perform every good work,—in humble reliance upon an over-ruling Providence,—remembering, that although Paul may plant, and Apollos water, it is God who giveth the increase.

And while thus engaged, renewedly to call the attention of our own members to this important Testimony, and to the principles on which we have ever considered it to rest,—we have believed,—that while Slavery continues to exist, to a fearful extent, in some portions of our beloved country, and while, in addition to its other enormous evils, the internal traffic in Slaves, continues to rend asunder the tenderest of human ties, it can never cease to commend itself, as a subject of serious thoughtfulness, to every benevolent Christian mind. And we would affectionately invite the professors of other religious denominations, to give to the subject that attentive consideration, which its great and increasing importance would seem to demand. We cherish no disposition to prescribe to them, in what way their particular efforts to remove this, and other evils that abound in our land, shall be directed; but we would, in Christian freedom, encourage them to embrace every right opening, for endeavoring, in the spirit of Gospel love, to persuade their brethren in religious profession, residing in the slave-holding States, seriously to examine this momentous question, in all its various bearings. As it relates to the well-being of themselves, their children, and their country, we are persuaded they would find, (we have no doubt they often *do* find,) abundant cause for serious meditation; but were they, in sincerity of heart, without regard to self-interest and the maxims of a cruel policy, to enter upon an enquiry into its consistency with the precepts and doctrines of Him, who in the greatness of his love for a fallen world, gave himself a ransom for *all*,—how could they turn away from the conviction,—that to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God,—to love our neighbor as ourselves,—to do unto others, as we would that they should do unto us,—are duties of universal obligation?—and that to claim property in their fellow-men; to hold them in unconditional bondage; reaping the fruit of their labour without any adequate return; and with-holding, in great measure at least, the means of moral and religious instruction from those who are equally with themselves, and with us, heirs of the promises of salvation by Christ,—is wholly at variance with that dispensation, which was ushered into the world with the joyous anthem, of "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men." And seeing these things in their true light, and remembering that He whom we profess to serve, and who has "made of *one blood*, all nations of men, for to dwell on all the face of the earth," is no respecter of persons; that he is a God of justice, as well as of mercy, and hath declared: "For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, I will arise saith the Lord"—how could they refrain from turning to Him for strength, to pursue the path of duty, that would thus be opened before them; and from becoming, at least, preachers of righteousness by their example, if the influence of example were all that they had it in their power to exert? And to *this*, we have ardently desired, they may be persuaded, in love unfeigned, and by every motive that can rightly influence the Christian mind—that the blessing of millions who are ready to perish, may come upon them.

We cannot doubt that there are, among the inhabitants of the States in which Slavery is now widely extended, *those* who are taking a thoughtful, sober view, of this highly interesting subject. We are fully aware that they are surrounded with difficulties of no ordinary magnitude. We sympathize with them in their peculiar trials. But we would,—that they could be encouraged, instead of looking too much at the difficulties that are presented to their minds, to turn to the gracious offers of assistance to all who rightly ask it, which abound throughout the sacred volume,—and to the animating hope that is set before all those who, in sincerity and singleness of heart, obey the Gospel.

In conclusion, we cannot forbear repeating, the very great solicitude we have felt, that the members of every professing Christian church may, under a deep sense of religious duty,—and encouraged by the cheering declaration,—"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy"—commence, in earnest, the endeavour to clear their hands from all participation in the continuance of Slavery in our land; and then, we believe, that difficulties that may now seem to be insurmountable, would be made to disappear, and the system itself, through the Divine blessing upon their example and their labours, cease to be a reproach to us, as a Nation.

Signed on behalf, and by direction of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun.
Clerk of the Men's Meeting

HANNAH GOULD, Jun.
Clerk of the Women's Meeting.

Note, page 4.—It may be satisfactory to many of our members, as well as to others, to be informed, that this interesting concern had engaged the attention of some of the Meetings of Friends within the limits of New England Yearly Meeting, as early as the year 1716. In the 9th month of that year, the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket made a minute, expressing the "sense and judgment" of that meeting, that "it is not agreeable to Truth, for Friends to purchase Slaves, and keep them term of life."

9mo 1837 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held by adjournment 9mo 7th 1837

Representatives present Jonathan Taber & Wm Tallman

A certificate on account of marriage from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Prince Weeks was accepted.

Prince Weeks & Silvia Delano

Prince Weeks and Silvia Delano having at the Monthly Meeting of which this is an adjournment made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society, and Benjamin Swift and Joseph Davis are named to have the oversight thereof and report at our next Mo Meeting.

A meeting is appointed to be held at our meeting house at Acushnet to-morrow afternoon at 2 O'clock for the accomplishment of said marriage.— Wm C. Taber, Clerk

9mo 1837. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 28, 1837

Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell and Rufus Shearman — Longplain Wm R. Taber and Stephen Tripp who are all present.—

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th ~~from~~ our several preparative meetings were read in this meeting from which a summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are Jonathan Taber Abraham Shearman Jr and Wm R. Taber.—

A certificate on account of marriage from Providence Mo. Meeting on behalf of Arnold Congdon is accepted.

A. Congdon & Lydia Howland

Arnold Congdon and Lydia Howland having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society, and Abraham Shearman Jr and [illegible] Howland Jr are named to have the oversight thereof and report at our next Monthly Meeting.—

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Prince Weeks and Sylvia Delano marriage report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder

Alexr Howland acknowledgmt accepted

The Committee appointed in the case of Alexander Howland presented the following report and acknowledgement viz

To the Monthly Meeting

We the Committee appointed in the case of Alexander Howland report that we have had an opportunity with him and that we believe him sincere in his desire to remain a member of Society

Saml J Wing
Clothier Gifford

9mo 20, 1837

1837 9mo

To the Monthly Meeting

Having so far deviated from the good order of Society as to marry contrary to the discipline I desire Friends to pass it by and let me still remain a member.

Fairhaven 9mo 7. 1837 Alexander Howland

which being considered were accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly continued a member of our religious society and Daniel Davis is named to inform him hereof.—

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Martha Russell denied. We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Martha Russell.—

Aaron W Kempton having requested a removal certificate to Adrian Monthly Meeting, Lenawe County, State of Michigan, John Howland 2d and Wm Tallman are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The Committee appointed to ascertain whether there are any children within our limits entitled to the priviledge of the Charitable fund of Friends Boarding School report that they have attended to their appointment.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 26th 1837

Representatives from New Bedford George Howland and Edmund Gardner— Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Benjn Taber who were all present except one.—

Albert Gifford informed The friend appointed to inform Albert Gifford of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him.

Albert Gifford having informed us of his intention of appealing to the Quarterly Meeting from the judgement of this Meeting denying him the right of membership; the appointment of a Committee to represent the case before the Quarterly Meeting is referred to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Jane S. Howland, accepted We unite with the Women in accepting an acknowledgement from Jane S. Howland for her deviation in marrying contrary to the discipline—

(To the Monthly Meeting

Having so far deviated from the good order of Society as to marry contrary to the discipline I desire friends to pass it by and let me still continue to be a member under their care

Fairhaven 8mo 23d 1837 Jane S. Howland)

W. R. Robeson denied. The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to visit Wm R Robeson presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment two of our Committee have had an opportunity with Wm R. Robeson who appeared open, friendly and candid in the interview, but gave us

37 10mo. no encouragement of again assembling with us or complying therewith that his mind he considered fully made up on the subject.—
With this view of the case there appears to us no further duty on the part of Society.—
Wm. Tallman
New Bedford 10th mo 1837
Elisha Thornton
which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Elisha Thornton is named to inform him thereof.

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The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Gerald Congdon and Lydia S. Howland report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Thomas Howland having requested the advice of friends relative to placing his son an apprentice with one who is not a member. Abrm Davis and Sands Wing are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report when accomplished.—

Cornelius Howland 3d having requested a removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting, State of New York, we appoint Abrm Davis, Clother Gifford and Sands Wing to prepare one if clear, and present to a future meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.—

Remov. Certif. Aaron Kempton
A removal certificate to Adrian Monthly Meeting, State of Michigan on behalf of Aaron W. Kempton is approved.

Silvia H. Delano denied.
We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Sylvia H. Delano who has married out of the order of our Society

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

837 11mo.
At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 23 1837
Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell and Daniel Tabor Longplain Joseph W Davis and Abel Dudley who were all present
The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our several preparative meetings a summary from which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Amaziah Delano Wm. H. Taber, Josiah Holmes Jr and Saml. Taber.—

Meetings at Rochester.
The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester presented the following Report viz.

"To the Monthly Meeting
The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting at Rochester report that they have as way has opened for it continued to visit the meetings held there; and after consulting together and considering the subject are united in proposing that they be continued for another year as heretofore under the care of a Committee
On behalf of the Committee
Abm. Shearman Jr
Mary Card
New Bedford 10mo 26 1837

1837. 11mo

which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting, was accepted and in conformity therewith the Meetings are continued another year under the care of the same committee with the addition of Reuben Russell in place of Job Eddy removed

Complaint Saml. Gifford.

The Overseers inform that Samuel Gifford has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member, and has also been neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings -- George W. Baker and Barnabas Taber are appointed to visit him on those accounts and report to a future meeting

Committee Abt. Gifford's appeal.

John Howland 2, George W. Baker, George Howland Perry Russell and Wm C Taber are appointed a Committee to represent the case of Albert Gifford before the Quarterly Meeting should he appear there to prosecute his appeal from the judgment of this meeting and the clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of the minutes of this meeting relating to the case.

Com. to settle Treasurer's Acct.

Abm Barker and George Howland are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts, to report a sum to be raised for the service of the Meeting for the ensuing year and to propose a friend as Treasurer - to report at our next Monthly Meeting —

Barn. Taber appd Elder

The appointment of Barnabas Taber to the station of an Elder having been united with by this and the Womens Meetings is referred to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting

The friend appointed to inform Alexander Howland of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports his attention thereto,

Ruth Davis Certif. returnd

Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a certificate furnished her in the 7th month last with minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of Falmouth and Vassalborough also from the Monthly Meetings of China, Vassalborough and Unity expressive of the satisfaction of friends with her company and labours amongst them She also informed us that she had been favoured to perform her visit to the peace of her own mind. —

1837. 12mo

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 28. 1837 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber & Wm Tallman Longplain Abel [illegible] & Sands Wing who are all present

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

Jno. D. Lang's visit

Our esteemed friend John D Lang attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from the Monthly Meeting of Berwick his company and gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us as has also been the company of his companion Joshua Meader of the same Monthly Meeting and the clerk is directed to furnish them with minutes embracing the substance of this. —

Certif. for Edmd Prior recd

A removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of New York on behalf of Edmund Prior is accepted

1837 12mo The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the schools for ~~[illegible]~~ Scriptural instruction presented the following report viz:—

Schools for Scriptural Instruction —

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the School for Scriptural instruction report that the School has been kept up through the past year and has generally been attended by some of the Committee. From the interest manifested by the children and teachers we feel willing to recommend its continuance another year, and would propose if agreeable to the Monthly Meeting that the future oversight of the School be referred to New Bedford Preparative Meeting.—

On behalf of the Committee
Geo Howland
Susan Howland
12mo 28, 1837 Mary Taber

which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting was accepted and the recommendations therein contained are accordingly adopted.—

The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer and for other purposes report.

State of Treasy.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have this day settled with the Monthly Meetings Treasurer and find a balance due him of nineteen dollars 30 cents and propose for the Monthly Meeting to raise seven hundred dollars and likewise propose Wm C Taber for Treasurer

Geo Howland
New Bedford 12: 23, 1837 Abm I Parker

which is accepted and in compliance therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of seven hundred dollars for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year and Wm C Taber is appointed Treasurer

$700. to be raisd.— — Charles R Tucker, Joseph Tillinghast Sands Wing and Wm R Taber are appointed to collect the sum proposed and present the Treasurers receipts therefor when accomplished.

A copy of a minute was received from Salem Quarterly Meeting stating that the company and religious services of our friend Ruth Davis on her late religious visit to that Meeting were acceptable.—

The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in informing Dartmouth Mo. Meeting that we are about to receive Susan H. Smith formerly a member of that meeting into membership with us if there is no objection on their part.—

Ann Anthony disownd

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Ann Anthony late Russell who has married out of the order of our religious society.—

The friends named to inform Wm R Robeson of his being denied the right of membership reports his attention thereto.—

1838. 1mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 25, 1838

Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Tait and Joseph Kempton — Longplain Seth C. Hiller and Thomas Wood who are all present. —

George M Eddy having requested a ~~removal~~ certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting; John Howland 2 and Joseph G Tillinghast are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly Meeting. —

Clerks appointed.

The time for which the clerk and Assistant were appointed having expired Wm C Taber is appointed clerk and Geo. W Baker Assistant clerk for the year ensuing or till another appointment. —

London Epistle.

The London general epistle for the past year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction. —

The Committee appointed to visit Samuel Gifford presented the following report viz

Saml. Gifford denied.

"The Committee appointed to visit Samuel Gifford on account of his marrying out of the order of Society and neglecting the attendance of meetings report that we have attended to our appointment. — He appeared to manifest some regard for Society but not disposed to make satisfaction for his deviation and gave but little encouragement of attending our meetings and expressed an opinion that it would be best for the meeting to make a minute against him. — It is our judgment that further delay in the case would not be useful

Saml. Taber
Geo. W. Baker

1mo 22 1838

Which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, we deny him the right of membership and Saml. Taber is named to inform him hereof. —

informed

Rebecca Allen denied.

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Rebecca Allen wife of Humphrey Allen for neglect in the attendance of our religious meetings. —

Susan H Smith recd. —

A communication was received from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting informing us that there was no objection on their part to our receiving Susan H Smith wife of Leonard Smith into membership and we accordingly unite with the Womens meeting in receiving her —

Mary Briggs late Thornton denied.

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary Briggs late Thornton who has married out of the order of our Society, and with the same meeting in denying the right of membership to Deborah H. Shearman who has joined another religious Society. —

Removal Certif. for Lydia Congdon

A removal certificate to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia wife of Arnold Congdon is approved in concurrence with the Womens meeting

Wm. C. Taber, clerk

1838. 2 mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2d 22 1838
Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Howland & Elihu Thornton Longplain Jonathan E. Delano & Joseph Tucker who are all present.

A certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of George M Eddy on account of marriage is approved.

Complaint. Allen Brownell

The overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Allen Brownell has for some time past mostly neglected the attendance of our meetings and has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Wm R Taber and Shadrach Davis are appointed to visit him on these accou and report to a future meeting

Committee, oversight of Funerals, report.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report that we have had and oversight of all funerals when the care of Friends has been requested and we know of no interments in friends grounds of persons not members of Society without permits being granted. There have been stones with inscriptions upon them erected over four or five graves in the ground at New Bedford within the past year

On behalf of the Committee
Wm Tallman

NBedford 2d 20, 1838

which being considered was accepted and the Committee now unde appointment are continued on that service for another year with the addition of William C Taber and they are requested to repo at the expiration of their appointment

Elizabeth Wood, late Howland denied.

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Wood late Howland who has married out of the order of Society.

The friend named to inform Samuel Gifford of the minute of denial made against him reports that he has been informed

$700 collected.

The Committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the service of this meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for Seven hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1838. 3mo.

At New Bedford Monthly meeting held 3mo. 22 1838 Representatives from New Bedford William Tallman and George Howland. Longplain Amariah Delano and Isaac Hiller. who are all present but one

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker was appointed Clerk for the day

The Queries were read with answers a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by our representatives who are Geo. W. Baker Perry Russell & Sands Wing

Allen Brownell, denied

The Committee appointed to visit Allen Brownell presented the following report. Viz.

Fair Haven 3mo. 16. 1838

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Allen Brownell. but did not find him in a situation of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deficiencies and manifested no desire to retain his right of membership. we therefore think we can be of no further use in the case. which we submit to the meeting

Shadrach Davis
William R. Taber

which being considered and having the concurrence of the womans meeting we deny him the right of membership and Shadrach Davis is named to inform him hereof

Ruth Davis. visit to Philada. New York &c

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis opened in this meeting a concern that had for a considerable time rested weightily upon her mind to attend the ensuing Yearly meetings of Philadelphia and New York and the monthly meeting of Baltimore, and if way should open for it to visit the families of friends constituting that meeting. which claiming the solid consideration of friends was feelingly united with & she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way, she being a minister in unity with us.

Abigail Davis, visit, as above.

Our esteemed friend Abigail Davis informed this meeting that she considered it to be her duty to stand resigned to accompany her sister Ruth Davis in her contemplated visit. which was united with and she left at liberty, she being a minister in unity with us. And the Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of the above.

1838. 3mo A removal certificate directed to Scipio Monthly
Remo. Certif meeting state of New York on behalf of Cornelius Ho
C. Howland &c land 3d was approved.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting inform that Thomas N. Smith has married contrary
Complaint to the order of our society with one who is not a member
Thos. N. Smith and that he has been neglectful in the attendance of our meetings. As he now resides at Buffalo within the limits of Hamburgh Monthly meeting the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to that meeting, requesting their care in the case, and that they acquaint us with the result.

Complaint. The overseers also inform that John H. Allen
Jno. H. Allen has married contrary to the order of our society with one who is not a member; and that he does not attend our meetings. Perry Russell & William Tallman are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting.

Certif. for A removal certificate from Swanzey mo. meeting on
Mary Swift recd. behalf of Mary Swift is accepted in concurrence with the women's meeting.

Mary H Delano We unite with the women's meeting in accepting
accepted an acknowledgment from Mary H. Delano who has married out of the order of our society

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for the day.

1838. 4mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 26 1838
Representatives from New Bedford John Howland Jr & William Tallman — Longplain, Wing Howland & Thomas Wood who are all present. —

Jos. R. and Joseph R. Wing and Mary Ann Wing appeared
Mary-Ann Wing in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage. —

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

The friend named to inform Allen Brownell of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him. —

A certificate on account of marriage from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph R. Wing is accepted. —

J. H. Allen The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting
denied. to visit John H. Allen presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of John H. Allen — He informed us that he had become a member of another religious Society with which he feel satisfied
Hence we think further labour from us would not be availing

1838. 4mo: we therefore submit the case to the meeting

Perry Russell
New Bedford 4mo 26, 1838 William Tallman

which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and √ Abraham Barker is named to inform thereof.-

Mary Batty removed — A removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meetg on behalf of Mary Batty is approved.-

Phebe Swift denied — We unite with the Women in denying the right of membership to Phebe Swift who has joined another religious denomination.-

Jashub Wing's Will. — It appearing from an article in the last will of Jashub Wing late of Yarmouth (which is subjoined) forwarded to this Meeting by his executor that a bequest was made by him for the use of his brother Daniel Wing in which he anticipated the care of this meeting and that contingency having occurred we appoint Abrm Barker, John Howland Jr Abrm Davis and Jona Cowing to join with the executor named in the will in receiving and applying the income of the bequest and such part of the principal as may from time to time be required for his support and to report their doings in the case to this Meeting

And the same committee are also directed to receive and apply in the same manner a bequest made by Mary Akin for the use of Daniel Wing.

(Article in the will of Jashub Wing above refered to)
"Imprimis I give and bequeath to my brother Daniel Wing the income of one thousand dollars: and my will is that my Executor pay it annually to my brother Savory Wing or Gideon Wing, to dispose of for his use; the first payment to be at the expiration of one year after my decease.- Should he survive my before mentioned brothers, Savory and Gideon it is my will that my Executor pay the above mentioned income annually to the Monthly Meeting to which he may belong; and for the said Meeting and my Executor to appropriate it for his support and likewise such part or all of the before mentioned principal as may be thought necessary.)"

An Epistle from the Meeting for Sufferings was received and read in this meeting to our edification.-

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1838. 5mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 24, 1838
Representatives from New Bedford John Howland Jr & Joseph Kempton,- Longplain, Amariah Delano & Abel D Wolf who are all present.-

Joseph R Wing and Mary Ann Wing having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention

1838. 5mo of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society and Abraham Shearman Jr and William C Taber are named to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

$600— to be raised We are informed by one of the overseers of the poor that owing to unexpected drafts that they have found it necessary to make on the Treasurer the money collected for the service of this meeting has been all expended and recommends that the further sum of ~~three~~ six hundred dollars be raised with which this meeting unites and George Howland Jr Abraham Davis William R Taber Charles W Howland and Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to collect the same and present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.

Wm C Taber Clerk

1838. 6mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 28. 1838
Representatives from New Bedford John Howland Jr and Philip Anthony — Longplain Robert Brownell and Abraham Davis who are all present.

Visits of R Mott and J. Bowne. Our beloved friends Richard Mott of Purchase Monthly Meeting State of New York and Joseph Bowne of Butternuts Monthly Meeting in the same State attended this meeting with copies of minutes from their respective Monthly Meetings, their company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us as has also been the company of our friends Charles and Sarah Lifford from Scipio Monthly Meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish them respectively with copies of this minute as it relates to each.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our several Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint George W. Baker William Tallman and Josiah Holmes Jr.

Ruth and Abigl Davis Certif. returnd. Our friends Ruth and Abigail Davis returned to this meeting copies of minutes furnished them in the third month last together with minutes from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in New York and the Monthly Meeting of Baltimore expressive of the satisfaction of friends with their company and services and Ruth informed this meeting that she had been enabled to perform the visit very much to the peace and satisfaction of her own mind which is satisfactory to this meeting.—

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Joseph R & Mary Ann Wing, report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Wm C Taber, Clerk

1838. 7mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo. 26th 1838
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Butler & Edmund
Gardner — Longplain Robert Brownell and Sands Wing who
are all present but one.

Chs. W. Howland. Certif. on acct. marriage — Charles W Howland requests a certificate on account of marriage to the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Southern
District John Howland Jr & George W. Barker are appointed to
take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly
Meeting. —

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report
that two of their number attended and that one friend was
prevented by sickness in his family. —

propor.n of Qr. Mg. Stock $165. — We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting
Stock is one hundred sixty five dollars which our Treasurer is directed
to pay to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 4th Month last to take
charge of a bequest made in favour of Daniel Wing presented
the following Report viz.

Jashub Wing's bequest. report of ~~Committee~~ Committee — "The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to have
the care of Jashub Wings bequest to Daniel Wing report that owing
to Daniel's decease soon after our appointment and his affairs
having been mostly settled by the heirs to said bequest very little
has been required of us — We have however given it all the
attention which we believe to be necessary —"

On behalf of the Committee
New Bedford 7mo. 25 1838
Abm. Barker
John Howland Jr

which is accepted and the Committee released from further
care in the case. —

Extracts from minutes of Y. Mg. — Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting,
embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee also a
notice of some of the exercises of that meeting on several important
subjects were read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

Charitable fund Y.M. Board School. — Elisha Thornton, George W. Baker & Amaziah Delano
are appointed to ascertain whether there are any children within
the limits of our Monthly Meeting entitled to the benefit of the
charitable fund of the Boarding School and to report the name of
one if found to the acting committee at the School for his admission.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1838. 8mo — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo. 23 1838
Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & Wm. Tallman
Longplain Charles Kempton & Jonathan Cowing who are
all present. —

Thomas Akin and Charity Kempton appeared in this
meeting and made a declaration of their intention of
taking each other in marriage. —

A certificate on account of marriage to Philadelphia

EXTRACTS

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 10*th to the* 15*th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month*, 1838.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and a Committee appointed to consider the several propositions therein contained.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have continued, during the past year, to give their attention to the various concerns of the Institution. Meetings for Divine worship have been regularly held, and harmony has prevailed. During the past autumn the School was visited, in common with the neighborhood, with Scarlet Fever, which attacked a large number of the inmates of the Institution, and proved fatal in two instances. In consequence of this solemn dispensation, many of the scholars returned to their homes, and did not subsequently re-enter the School; though for the past few months the family and scholars have been favored with the enjoyment of usual good health. The average number of scholars during the past year has been seventy-nine.

Our friends Rowland and Alice Rathbun are employed as Superintendents; and Samuel Austin and James Chase as Teachers in the Boys' School; and Emeline Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Osborne in the Girls'. George F. Read has charge of instruction in the Languages, and assists in keeping the Books; and Freelove Greene continues to act as a care-taker of the Girls, and to attend to the Sewing School. Moses B. Lockwood, who has recently left the Institution, has been employed as principal Teacher in the Boys' School during most of the past year.

The Committee have from time to time had under their consideration the propriety of dividing the year into two terms, with a vacation at the close of each term, instead of continuing under our present arrangement. Many advantages, it has appeared to them, would result from adopting this plan. It has, for several years, been a desirable object to enable the Teachers to introduce a better classification of the scholars in their various studies, than has been practicable under the existing system of admission at irregular intervals, and which they have believed would much facilitate their improvement. It has appeared to the Committee reasonable, that the health of the Teachers should be consulted, by affording them such relaxation from their employment as would result from the adoption of this arrangement. The consideration that the health of all the inmates of the Institution may be promoted by a more thorough cleansing of the house, twice in each year, than can be effected while its various apartments continue to be occupied, has also had much weight with them.

They are therefore united in proposing to the Yearly Meeting, that the year be divided into two terms of twenty-four weeks each, each term to be succeeded by a vacation of two weeks; the Summer term to commence on the second day preceding the first fifth day in the fifth month, and the Winter term on the second day preceding the first fifth day in the eleventh month; and that the last week of each term be occupied in an examination of the Schools, by Committees from time to time especially appointed to that service by the general School Committee.

Should this arrangement be approved by the Yearly Meeting, it will be expected that children shall enter the School at the commencement of each term; and consequently that the time of their continuance there, shall not, except under peculiar circumstances, and the approbatian of the Acting Committee being first had, include a part of a term.

While this arrangement would, in the view of the Committee, be of essential advantage to the School, they are induced to believe that, when once carried into operation, it would not materially affect the convenience of parents. By far the greater number of children from the more distant parts of the Yearly Meeting now enter the School for a term of six months; and very few from any quarter remain there for a longer time, without making a visit to their friends. In cases, however, where *great* inconvenience is likely to arise to parents or children from the adoption of this plan, should any such present, the Committee will endeavor to make arrangements for their accommodation.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by $1345 28 cts., and that the present indebtedness of the Institution is $3813 37 cts. For more particular information of the expenditures we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account herewith presented. The pecuniary situation of the School will not, we think, warrant any reduction in the terms of admission from those concluded on last year; and we therefore propose that the price for members of Society, of our Yearly Meeting, be *thirty-three* dollars per term—for those who are not members of Society, who may be admitted, one or both of whose parents are members, *forty-five* dollars per term; and for members of other Yearly Meetings, *fifty* dollars per term, payable in advance. Books and stationary being furnished, as during the past year, at actual cost; with the understanding, that when scholars leave the School, the Books with which they have been supplied may be returned, by their paying for the use of them.

Seven scholars have received the benefit of the charitable fund, and by the terms of the Will of the principal donor, claims to the amount of $131 04 cts. have been provided for, leaving a balance unexpended of about $60—and supposing the income of this fund to continue the same, the ensuing year, the amount will be about $460, which will support fourteen scholars one term each; and it is proposed that such Monthly Meetings as have children who are proper objects of this charity should make immediate application to the Acting School Committee for their admission.

We have continued to appoint Committees to visit the Schools, and attend to the examination of the Scholars in their various studies, once in six months. From the Report of the Committee who visited the School in the third month last, made to us at this time, we think it may be satisfactory for us to make the following extract:—'The Committee to visit and examine the Schools report, that a number of them met at the time appointed, and proceeded to examine the Scholars in most or all the branches in which their attention had been engaged; and we feel free to acknowledge that we have cause to be thankful for the proficiency manifested by them in their various exercises, it being evident that they, as well as their Teachers, have been mindful of their duty, and that their attention had not been exclusively confined to improvement in literary and scientific studies, but that the more important pursuit of life, the attainment of piety and virtue, had not been overlooked. The deportment and general appearance of the Scholars were much to our satisfaction, and the harmony that manifestly prevails throughout the family is an evidence that the Institution is still under the care of Him who is able to preserve."

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th mo. 4th, 1838.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee appointed to take into consideration the several propositions contained in the preceding Report of the Boarding School Committee, produced the following Report, viz:

"*To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to whom was referred the propositions contained in the Report of the School Committee, have had the same under consideration, and have concluded to recommend, that the Yearly Meeting adopt that in relation to dividing the year into two terms of twenty-four weeks each, with vacations of two weeks each between them, and recommend that Friends conform themselves thereto in sending their children to the School. It is, however, considered by this Committee to be desirable that a liberal construction should be given to the rule providing for admission for not less than six months, in favor of such as may wish to go for a shorter term, to complete the time they propose to spend at the School.

"And after some discussion, it was agreed to recommend that the terms of board, tuition, &c. proposed by the School Committee, be adopted.

On behalf of the Committee,

STEPHEN A. CHASE,
ALICE CHASE.

6th month 13th, 1838.

Which being considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to append this Report to that of the Boarding School Committee, when transmitted to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

It appearing by the Report of the School Committee, that the charitable fund will support fourteen scholars one term each, Monthly Meetings that have children who are suitable objects of this charity, are requested to make immediate application to the acting School Committee for their admission, in order that such children (as are admitted by said Committee) may be in readiness to enter the School at the commencement of the Winter term, [which in the present year will begin on the 29th of tenth month.]

During the time that has been occupied in considering the state of Society, as brought into view by the answers to the Queries, a covering has been spread over the Meeting, under the influence of which we have been made in degree to rejoice, in the feeling, that notwithstanding our many backslidings,—that stripped and peeled as we are,—we are not yet forsaken by the Great Head of the Church; but that in condescending goodness, He is still disposed to be with us and to do us good; and that 'in returning and rest,' we may still be permitted to have hope in His continued mercies.

Much of pertinent counsel and caution was feelingly imparted, by concerned Friends now with us; and we were affectionately exhorted, in the love of the Gospel, to 'be watchful and strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die.' That the Church endeavoring, through holy help, to edify itself together in love, may enter into a deep travail of spirit for a qualification to labor for the removal of every hurtful thing from within its borders; and especially, for the restoration of love and unity in cases of sorrowful departure from this sure badge of discipleship, that have been deeply painful to many minds; and that the members of the church individually, may be concerned, in preference to every other pursuit, to 'seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness.' *Then*, we were feelingly reminded, should we cease to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, for the solemn object, the reasonable duty, of worshipping our Father who is in Heaven; and that being cemented together in the bonds of brotherly love, we should be enabled unitedly to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

Parents were tenderly exhorted to watch, with affectionate solicitude, over the minds of their children, and to seek in seasons of religious retirement with them, for ability rightly to discharge the very important duty of teaching them diligently, in the way that they should go; and the dear children were persuasively entreated, not to give way to any feeling that would lead them to withdraw themselves from under parental control, and to pursue a course of action independent of the counsel and advice of those who are thus watching over them for their good; but to bear in continued remembrance, the impressive injunction: 'Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.—Honor thy father and thy mother, which is the first commandment with promise.' And that *all*, of every age, may endeavor practically to bear in mind, that to the same extent that we are living members of the true church, we are members also one of another, and shall be led to consult its peace, by being kindly affectioned one toward another, and preferring one another in love.

A frequent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, with minds rightly turned to Him, under the influence of whose Spirit they were given forth—The restraints of Divine grace, operating upon the mind, in ordering our conduct and conversation among men;—an attention to its influence in restraining the perusal of improper books;—a careful regulation of our outward concerns by 'the limitations of Truth'—and a faithful maintenance, on christian grounds, of the simplicity of our profession in behavior, speech, and apparel—were subjects, among others, that were also feelingly touched upon.

And our dear absent Brethren being brought into affectionate remembrance, with desires that they may be enabled to participate, in some degree, in the exercises that have engaged the attention of Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies of this Minute, with the other extracts, to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of New-England Yearly Meeting, held Sixth Month, 1838.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

1838. 8mo. Monthly Meeting for the Southern District on behalf of Charles W. Howland is approved.—

Overseers of Poor. William Tallman John Howland 2d Elisha Thornton Shadrach Davis Daniel Davis George W. Baker & Philip Anthony are appointed overseers of the poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

Recorder & Assist. George W. Baker is appointed Recorder and William R Taber assistant Recorder for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

1838. 9mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 27 1838 Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Wm Parker — Longplain Seth Hiller & Amaziah Delano who are all present.—

A certificate on account of marriage from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Thomas Aken is accepted.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Abm Shearman 2d, Francis Taber 2d & Saml Taber.

T. Akin & C. Kempton's marriage allowed. Thomas Aken and Charity Kempton having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of the only surviving parent and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the order of our society and Daniel Ricketson and Joseph Davis are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

T. N. Smith denied. A communication being received from Hamburg Mo. Meeting in the case of Thomas N. Smith and inferring from the action of that Meeting that he was not in a state of mind to give friends satisfaction for his outgoings we deny him the right of membership with which the women unite and the clerk is directed to request ~~inform~~ the Monthly Meeting of Hamburg to inform him hereof.—

Abi. Spooner, late Bradford denied. We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Abigail Spooner late Bradford.

Removal Certificate for Mary Law. A removal certificate to Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Law is approved.—

Com. to name Overseers. George W. Baker, Joseph Davis, Wm R Taber Benjamin Swift Elisha Thornton, John Howland Josiah Holmes 2d and Sands Wing are appointed to consider of and report to our next Monthly Meeting the names of such friends as they may think suitable for Overseers of this meeting

J. H. Allen, inform'd. The friend named to inform John H. Allen of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him.—

1838. 9mo.

Certif. for Rhoda B. Gifford recd. A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rhoda B. Gifford wife of Albert Gifford and her minor daughter Rebecca C. Gifford is accepted in concurrence with the Womens meeting.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

10mo. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo. 25, 1838

Representatives from New Bedford, Wm. Tallman and George Howland Longplain Joseph W. Davis and Seth C. Hiller who are all present.

Complaint. Wm. P. Howland — The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Wm. P. Howland has married with one who is not a member and who is also his first cousin — Barnabas Taber and Perry Russell are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting.

Certif. for D. B. Akin recd. A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel B. Akin a minor is accepted.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Thomas Akin and Charity Tempton report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder.

Overseers of Mo. Mg appointed — The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to report the names of such friends as they might think suitable to serve this meeting as overseers proposed the following viz. Francis Taber, Barnabas Taber, Abraham Shearman Jr, Perry Russell, Abraham Davis, Amaziah Delano & Seth C. Hiller which being considered was united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or till another appointment.

London Epistle. " The London general epistle for the present year was read in this meeting to our edification

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

11mo. — At N. Bedford Mo. Meeting held 11mo. 22. 1838

Representatives from N. Bedford [illegible] Howland and John Howland Longplain Thomas H. Howland and Benja. King who are all present

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker was appointed Clerk for the day

The queries were read in this meeting with answers from our several Preparative Meetings a summary from which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives who are Amaziah Delano Reuben Russell & George W. Baker

1838. 11mo

Complaint S.W. Rodman.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting inform that Samuel W. Rodman who according to the discipline has a right of membership in our society has not attended our religious meetings and has recently married one who is not a member. John Howland and Reuben Russell are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting.

Complaint. Jos. R. Tallman

They also inform that Joseph R. Tallman has married contrary to the order of our society, with one who is not a member.— Francis Taber and Perry Russell are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting

Rochester Meetings

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meetings at Rochester presented the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meetings at Rochester, report, that some of their number have as way has opened for it, continued during the past year to visit the meetings held there; and after conferring together are united in proposing that said meetings be continued for another year, to be held as heretofore under the care of a Committee

On behalf of the Committee

William Tallman

New Bedford 10m: 25. 1838. Mary Taber

which being read & considered & having the concurrence of the womens meeting was accepted and in conformity therewith the meetings are continued another year under the care of the same committee.

Sarah L. Wood denied.

We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Sarah L. Wood who ~~has~~ neglects the attendance of our meetings and attends those of another religious denomination

Charity Akin removed.

A removal certificate directed to Sandwich Monthly meeting on behalf of Charity Akin is approved in concurrence with the womens meeting

1838. 11mo.

The Committee appointed in the fifth month to receive subscriptions for the use of this meeting

$600 rais.d for Mo. Mg presented the Treasurer's receipt for six hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised also the further sum of fifteen 50/100 dollars which is placed to the credit of the Mo. meeting

Report of case of Seth Cowing.— The Committee appointed in the 2d mo. 1834 to visit Seth Cowing on account of his deviation in marriage made a report stating that they had had several opportunities with ~~with~~ him but did not find him in a state of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deviation. after considering the case

refer.d it was concluded to refer it to our next Mo. Meeting

Geo. W. Baker Clerk fo the day

1838 12mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo. 27 1838 Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift & Joseph Kempton — Longplain Robert Brownell & Elisha Thornton who are all present.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.—

Case of Seth Cowing. The case of Seth Cowing 2d referred from our last Monthly Meeting being again under consideration and it appearing that the friend is now absent it was concluded to continue the case under the care of the same committee

add.n to Committee with the addition of Joseph Davis and Wm R. Taber to report at a future meeting.—

Susan Howland. visit. Salem and Vassalboro. Our beloved friend Susan Howland opened in this Meeting a concern that had for some time rested with weight on her mind to pay a religious visit to friends in the eastern part of this Yearly Meeting and particularly to attend the Quarterly Meeting next to be held at Salem to visit the meetings belonging to the Quarterly Meeting of Vassalborough and if way should open for it to attend that Quarterly Meeting and some meetings going and returning:— which claiming our solid consideration was feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct being a minister in unity with us and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.—

Geo. Howland. Our friend George Howland also informed this meeting that he proposed accompanying his wife in her intended visit which was united with, he being a member in unity with us and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Ann Robeson late Rodman.

Wm C. Taber Clerk

1839
1mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 24 1839
Representatives from New Bedford Frederick Howland and Joseph S. Tillinghast — Longplain Thomas Wood and Sands Wing who are all present except one

Clerk's appt.

The time for which the Clerk and assistant were appointed having expired Wm C. Taber is appointed Clerk and Geo. W. Baker assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment. —

Complaint. P. S. Shearman.

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Philip S. Shearman has married contrary to the order of our Society with one not in profession with us and has also been neglectful in the attendance of our meetings. — George W. Baker and William Tallman are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1839. 2mo.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 28, 1839
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Potter & Reuben Russell — Longplain, Amaziah Delano & Robert Brownell who are all present. —

Certif. for Jos. R. Wing recd. —

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting, on behalf of Joseph R. Wing is accepted. —

Report of Committee on oversight of Funerals, &c

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds made the following report viz.
"The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funeral and care of Burial Grounds report that they have extended an oversight to most if not all funerals of friends or where the care of friends has been requested, that have come to their knowledge and have been careful in regard to the interment in our burial grounds of persons not members of our Society. Stones with inscriptions have been erected in the ground at New Bedford during the past year at the graves of five persons who were members of our Society — None have been removed which were there prior to the last report.

On behalf of the Committee
Wm Tallman
Saml. Taber

2mo 27, 1839

which being considered was accepted and the friends now under appointment with the addition of Josiah Holmes 2d were continued on that service another year or till another appointment and they are requested to report in the second month next. (The names of the committee are as follows) Saml. Taber, Wm Tallman, Jos. Davis, Reuben Russell, Geo W. Baker, Joseph Taber, Benjamin Swift, George Howland, Wm C. Taber, Abm Davis, Thomas A. Howland, Sands Wing, Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Archi Devoll, Stephen Gifford, Seth C. Miller & Josiah Holmes 2d.)

M. H. Ellis late Tallman denied

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Mehitable H. Ellis late Tallman

1839 2mo Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this
Susan Howland meeting a copy of a minute furnished her in the 12month last
return minute with satisfactory minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of Vassalborough
Vassalboro and Salem stating that her company and religious services during
her late visit had been acceptable and edifying to them. She
also informed us that the journey had resulted in the peace
and satisfaction of her own mind which is acceptable to this
meeting. Our friend George Howland also returned a
minute furnished him at the same time with copies of minutes
from the same meetings informing that his company had been
acceptable.—

E.H. Eddy We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a
cert. recd removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf
of Elizabeth H Eddy wife of George M Eddy.—

Abm Barker, Geo. Howland & John Howland are
Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, to
to settle with determine the sum necessary to be raised for the service of
Treasurer this meeting for the ensuing year and to propose a friend for
Treasurer — to report at our next monthly meeting.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held
3mo 1839 3mo: 25. 1839. Representatives from New Bedford William
Tallman & William Thompson. Longplain Thomas H.
Howland & Josiah Holmes jr. who are all present.
The Clerk being absent George W. Baker was
appointed Clerk for the day
The Queries were read with answers a sum
mary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly
meeting by our representatives who are Barnabas Taber
George W. Baker & John Howland
We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly
meeting stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that meeting
The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer
and for other purposes made the following report viz

New Bedford 3mo: 5. 1839.
We have this day examined the Treasurers accounts
Report and find a balance in his hands of two 48/100 dollars and
to raise $700 are of opinion it will be necessary to raise $700.— for the
use of the mo meeting for the ensuing year. We would propose
the reappointment of William C. Taber for Treasurer
To the monthly Meeting George Howland
John Howland

Which is accepted and in compliance therewith
it is concluded to raise the sum of seven hundred dollars
for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and William
C. Taber is appointed Treasurer.

3 mo 1839 Charles W. Howland Thomas A. Howland John [illegible] M. Eddy are appointed to collect the sum proposed and present the Treasurer's receipts therefor when accomplished

ca. H. Howland
cert. rec'd

A removal certificate from Philadelphia Monthly meeting for the southern district in behalf of Caroline H. wife of Charles W. Howland is accepted in concurrence with the womens meeting

ois & Hannah
avis & Rebecca
land denied

We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Lois & Hannah Davis & Rebecca (Leland) late Davis

The Committee appointed in the case of William P. Howland presented the following report and acknowledgment

To the Monthly Meeting

Wm P. Howland
acknowledgment
rec'd

The Committee appointed to visit Wm P. Howland on his deviation in marriage and with his first cousin. we have attended to that service, to a considerable degree of satisfaction, he is very desirous of retaining his right of membership and is a steady attender of our meetings which we submit to the meeting.

Barnabas Taber
Perry Russell

To the Monthly meeting

Dear Friends

Having violated what I fully believe to be a consistant rule of society by marrying contrary to its regulations and with a first cousin. I am sincerely desirous that Friends may pass by the deviations and still continue me under their care.

William Penn Howland

Which being considered were accepted and it was concluded to continue him a member of our religious society. The womens meeting having risen the case is referred for their consideration to next monthly meeting.

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for the day.

4 mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo 25, 1839
Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Reuben Russell — Longplain, Amaziah Delano & Joseph W. Davis who are all present.—

Wm Potter and Vertue R Kempton appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage.—

Albert Sherman

Albert Sherman who resided here some time with a copy of a minute from Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting having returned and a return minute being requested on his behalf Geo. W. Baker and Philip Anthony are appointed to take the necessary

4mo 1839 care in the case and report to a future meeting.—

The Committee appointed to visit Samuel W. Rodman presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

S. W. Rodman denied — The Committee in the case of Samuel W. Rodman report that they have had an interview with him; but that he did not manifest any disposition to make satisfaction for his deviations — and informed us he did not wish to remain a member of our society — Which we submit to the meeting.

Reuben Russell
John Howland

which being considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Women's meeting we deny him the right of membership, and John Howland is named to inform him thereof.—

The Women's Meeting have informed us of their concurrence in accepting an acknowledgement from William P. Howland presented and accepted at our meeting last month. ~~and~~ he is accordingly continued a member of our religious Society and the Clerk is directed to inform him thereof when opportunity presents.

N. Bedford Subscriptions Recd — The Committee appointed last month to collect subscriptions for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurer's receipt for 644 dolls. being New Bedford Preparative Meeting's proportion of seven hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.—

Mary S. Foster denied — We unite with the Women's Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary S. Foster late Swift who has married out of the order of our Society and prefers attending the meetings of another denomination

Wm. C. Taber Clerk

5mo 1839 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 23, 1839

Representatives from New Bedford Samuel Sutton & Reuben Russell — Longplain Stephen Tripp & Humphrey Kempton who are present except two, one of whom was prevented from attending by ill health.—

A certificate on account of marriage from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm. Potter is accepted.

Wm. Potter & Virtue R. Kempton married — Wm. Potter and Virtue R. Kempton having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the order of our Society.— And Joseph Davis & Reuben Russell are named to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Albert Shearman removed — A minute to Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of Albert Shearman is approved.—

5mo 1839 The friend named to inform [illegible] Samuel W. Rodman of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he had informed him.-

Benj. F. Griggs
family
rec'd

A removal certificate from Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Benjamin F. Griggs, his wife [illegible] and their children Benjamin Joseph, Elizabeth Caroline & Louisa Amanda is accepted, with which the womens meeting concur.-

aroline Shearman
denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Caroline Shearman late Brownell.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

6mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 27, 1839

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Joseph Taber — Longplain Sands Wing and William Davis who are all present.—

s. Edgerton
in Ohio

Our beloved friend Joseph Edgerton attended this meeting with a certificate from Somerset Monthly Meeting held in Belmont County, Ohio and endorsed by Stillwater Quarterly Meeting certifying that he is a minister in unity — his company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us — As has also been the company of his companion William Dewees an elder from Chesterfield Monthly Meeting in the same state — and the clerk is directed to forward the substance of this minute to the Quarterly Meeting.-

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2d & 10th from which a summary was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint George W. Taber, Reuben Russell and Josiah Holmes Jr.-

an Howland
to Scipio

Our beloved friend Susan Howland feelingly opened in this meeting a concern that had impressed her mind with weight for a considerable time to pay a religious visit to friends of Scipio Quarterly Meeting to attend the meetings constituting it and also to appoint some meetings among those who are not members of our Society and if way should open for it to attend some meetings within the limits of

6mo 1839 Farmington Quarterly Meeting — which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct being a minister in unity with us.— And the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in preparing a certificate embracing the substance of this minute and sign it on our behalf.

Geo Howland to Scipio Our friend George Howland also informed this meeting that he proposed accompanying his wife on her intended visit which is united with he being a member in unity with us — and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.—

Welthea Russell denied We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Welthea Russell late Taber who has married out of the order of Society. —

The friends named to have the oversight of the marriage of William Potter and Vestia K Kempton report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

7mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 25, 1839

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Benjamin Swift — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Wing Howland who are all present.—

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that two of their number attended and a satisfactory reason was assigned for the absence of the other friend.

Edwd Howland's acknowlegement rec'd The Committee appointed in the 4th Mo. 1836 to visit Edward Howland presented the following report and acknowledgement.— viz

To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Edward Howland to a good degree of satisfaction. He appears to be diligent in the attendance of our meetings and sincerely desirous of retaining his right of membership and we are united in believing it would be best to accept his acknowledgement which we submit however entirely to the control and judgment of the Meeting

New Bedford 7mo 24, 1839

Perry Russell
Reuben Russell

EXTRACTS

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 16th to the 21st, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1839.

The Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, with the Circular of the Committee, issued in 1835, thereto appended. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

In again presenting their Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting the School Committee feel it right, notwithstanding some discouragements, gratefully to commemorate the mercy that has been extended to us, through which the various inmates of the Institution have been preserved in good health, and the School, we have cause to believe, has continued to be useful to those who have been placed in it.

Meetings for Divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the time of the vacations, and harmony we believe prevails. The average number of scholars during the past year has been seventy-seven.

The late Superintendents of the School having resigned their trust, we have engaged our friends Allen and Olive Wing to act in that capacity, who have entered upon the discharge of their duties; and Jonathan L. Slocum, Samuel Austin and George F. Read, are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Osborne in the Girls'.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the debts of the Institution have been reduced during the past year, and that its present indebtedness is about two thousand dollars. For more particular information of the receipts and expenditures we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith presented. In the present condition of the finances of the School, we have not thought it proper to propose any change in the terms from the prices of last year—which are $33 per term, for members of this Yearly Meeting; $45 for those scholars who are not members, where one or both parents are members, and $50 for the members of other Yearly Meetings, payable in advance. Ten Dollars per *term,* additional charge, is made for instruction in the Languages. We have concluded to propose that stationary and books be furnished the children, for their use in the School, free of expense, except such as are necessary in the study of the higher branches, including the Mathematics and the Languages, and that these be supplied at their actual wholesale cost.

The income of the charitable fund will about support *ten* scholars, one term each, and Monthly Meetings that may desire to occupy the privilege are requested to make application to the Acting School Committee in season for their admission at the commencement of the winter term, which this year will be on the fourth day of the eleventh month.

The division of the year into two terms with vacations has, we think, proved salutary in practice, and the examination at the close of each term has been interesting and useful: but in order that it may not be interrupted during its progress, we desire that no child may be withdrawn from the School until it is completed, which it is intended shall take place on fifth day of the last week of the term; so that children will be ready to leave on sixth day morning of that week.

The observance of plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, among the inmates of the Institution, has continued to claim our very serious attention, and we have laboured for the maintenance of the ancient testimonies of our Society in these respects. We have believed that usefulness might result from again forwarding the accompanying Circular issued in 1835, to the several meetings of Friends; and the various Committees of the Monthly Meetings in recommending scholars to the School, as well as parents and guardians, are earnestly requested to exercise a care that the provisions therein contained are faithfully observed.

We also think it right to remind Friends of the established regulation of the School that none are admitted into the male department, over fourteen years of age, who have not previously received permission from the Sub-Committee, which meets at the School House in Providence on third day preceding the first fifth day in every month.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 3d of 5th month, 1839.

[The next Summer term will commence on Second-day, 5th mo. 4th, 1840.]

At a meeting of the Committee of the New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School,
held 8th mo. 7th, 1835—

The subject of an increased observance in this Institution of plainness of speech, behavior and apparel having, from time to time, claimed the serious attention of this Committee, and a lively concern on this account having been manifested at our last Yearly Meeting, we have believed it right for us at this time to revive the subject to our friends, and to point out, more explicity than we have heretofore done, what we consider a proper dress for the children of this School.

While we feel that we are not called upon to enter extensively into a vindication of the propriety of maintaining our testimony in the particulars alluded to, we would affectionately remind our younger friends, that they are in accordance, as we believe, with the beautiful system of Christian simplicity taught by our blessed Lord and his apostles. And we may appeal to the experience of our Society to prove, that they have been as a hedge round about us, which it has ever been perilous to break down: and when, in individual instances, this has been done, that weakness and loss have been the consequence.

We should ever remember the apostolic exhortation, "Let your moderation be known unto all men." And "let not your adorning be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold and of putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is, in the sight of God, of great price."

Were our minds, dear friends, duly impressed with a sense of the matchless love of our adorable Redeemer and Preserver—were our hopes and dependence placed on Him—how should we be raised above the undue attachment to the things of time and sense and a conformity to the vain fashions and customs of the world. And in accordance with the recommendations of our Discipline, we earnestly desire that parents and guardians would impress upon the minds of their children, the necessity of maintaining plainness of speech and behaviour, which is strictly required in the School; and it will be expected of every male admitted into this Institution, that his body-coat, jacket and vest, be single-breasted, and without lappels or falling collars, and where any of these are figured, that they be of patterns consistent with the plainness required in other parts of the dress—and that they wear hats, caps being excluded.

In the dress of females, we expect a correspondent degree of plainness, and that they avoid the extravagance of the fashions of the present day. They will be required to wear silk, or plain straw bonnets, without any trimmings for ornament. Their frocks or gowns should be of materials that are plain in color, and conformable in the size of the sleeves, and in other respects to convenience and propriety, and not according to the vain fashions of the world. Their handkerchiefs and collars should be without edgings or trimmings—and no article intended for ornament merely, will be permitted to be worn.

In order to carry into effect these regulations, the Superintendents are to examine the trunks and packages of the children previous to admission, and if any articles are found unsuitable on account of plainness, or for any other cause, they will be laid aside, or altered, and the expense charged to the parents or guardians.

No scholar will be admitted into the School after the present quarter, or permitted to remain here, who does not comply stiertly with these regulations. And Committees of Monthly Meetings are desired to be careful not to give certificates to any children who will not conform thereto.

EPISTLE

FROM THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

TO ITS SUBORDINATE MEETINGS.

Being again permitted to meet in our annual Assembly, our dear absent Friends have been affectionately brought to our remembrance, and we have been desirous that they might be partakers to some extent with us, in the exercises and interesting concerns that have claimed our attention.

Our meeting has been large and solemn; and we have had cause reverently to acknowledge that the wing of ancient Goodness has been in measure mercifully over us, and under its covering we have been favoured to conduct the concerns of the Church, that have come before us, in much brotherly love—to the Lord be the praise. We have had the acceptable company of several dear Friends from other Yearly Meetings, who have laboured to our comfort and edification.

By the Answers to the Queries, it appears that there are many deficiencies within our borders, and we have been brought earnestly to desire that there may be an increased concern among our members individually, faithfully to labour for their removal. A neglect of attending meetings for divine worship, particularly in the middle of the week, and a want of love and unity are among the painful deficiencies that are brought into view. Love to God and love to man—on these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. When we remember our dependence upon Almighty God; when we reflect that every blessing that we enjoy both temporal and spiritual proceedeth from Him; that all things were formed and are still sustained by the word of His Power: that it is of His mercy that we are not consumed; how can we neglect the reasonable service of assembling ourselves together to worship Him? And how, beloved Friends, can we put up our petition to Him, that He will be pleased to forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass againt us, while we continue to harbour in our hearts unkind feelings towards a brother? If we are wanting in these two most essential qualifications of the christian—love to God and love to man,—it is in vain for us to attempt to support availingly, any of our religious principles and testimonies; and we have been renewedly made sensible that a deficiency herein has led to the other departures that have been brought to our notice. Let us, dear Friends, scrupulously examine ourselves and know the condition of our hearts in this respect.

Among the failures in duly maintaining our religious testimonies we notice with sorrow, some of a military nature. The faithful support of our religious views of the peaceable nature of the Gospel of Christ has been felt by us at this time to be of great weight. We believe that our predecessors in religious faith had their minds divinely illuminated to understand the teachings of Christ and his Apostles on this subject, and that it is our duty to endeavour to come up faithfully in their footsteps. There are, as we apprehend, errors on either hand on this important doctrine; but we earnestly crave for our members that they may be preserved on the ancient, christian ground of our religious Society; believing that they will find this to be practical and safe ground for them to stand upon.

It is a day, beloved Friends, when the eyes of the people are much turned towards us; and we have ardently coveted that our Light might so shine before men that they seeing our good works may glorify our Father who is in Heaven.

The doctrine of the necessity of the immediate, qualifying power of the Holy Spirit in order for the discharge of religious duty, has ever been a fundamental principle of our Society, and must continue to be acknowledged by all faithful Friends as being necessary for us practically to receive. Our testimonies against War, Oaths, Slavery, &c. are *religious* testimonies; and we believe we can only successfully plead them before the world, or effectively enforce them upon others, as we receive this Heavenly qualification from the Great Head of the Church.

This Meeting has been introduced into much concern that our members may be preserved from attempting in their own time and strength to do the work of the Lord. Remember the declaration of the dear Redeemer—"My time is not yet come; but your time is always ready." And we have been led to fear that in associating with others who do not acknowledge, as we do, the need of this immediate, divine qualification in order for the performance of religious duties, we are in great danger of neglecting this fundamental principle, and of attempting to act with them in our own strength and zeal; and thus lose that ability to labour successfully in the Lord's cause which He is pleased graciously to vouchsafe to those whom He calls into His service. And under this feeling of concern we believe it right for us tenderly to persuade our dear Friends to avoid mingling with the various associations of the day for the support of those Christian testimonies which our Society has peculiarly felt itself called upon to bear before the world; but keeping together as a religious body, in love—looking unto the great Helper of His people for Holy assistance, we may yet trust, in the Lord's own good time, to be in some measure the humble instruments in His hand of doing His heavenly will.

Oh! dear Friends, let us be engaged to watch unto prayer; let us gather home in the spirits of our minds unto the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, and reverently wait upon Him; that thus we may be preserved from the spirit, the maxims and the policy of the world that leads unto death. May we be favoured to abide in Christ—"As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself except it abide in the vine: no more can ye except ye abide in me." And now, beloved Friends, farewell. We desire that in simple faith we may commit ourselves into the preserving hand of Him "who is able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy—to whom be glory and majesty, dominion and power forever."

Signed by direction, and on behalf of our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 16th to the 21st of the Sixth Month, inclusive, 1839.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.
HANNAH GOULD, jun. Clerk.

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends. I feel very sensible of having transgressed a good rule of Society nevertheless I sincerely desire that friends would so far pass it by as to continue me in membership. — Edward Howland

pproved

which being considered were accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting he is accordingly continued in membership and Perry Russell is named to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.—

Robson
R Thornton

Our beloved friends Elizabeth Robson of Great Britain and Rachel Thornton of New York attended this meeting with satisfactory certificates of the unity of their friends in their present religious concerns — Their company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us as has also been the company of our friend Thomas Robson who accompanies his wife on her visit to friends in this country.

We are informed by Sandwich Monthly Meeting that Sands Kelley a member of this meeting residing within their limits has married with one who is not a member of our Society which being considered the Clerk was directed to request Sandwich Monthly Meeting to take the case under their care and report their doings therein to this meeting.—

Quarly Stock
148.50/100

We are informed by a communication from our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock is one hundred forty eight 50/100 dollars

R Potter
removed

A removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Verne R Potter is approved in concurrence with the Women's meeting.

An extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting with the report of the Boarding School Committee and a circular of that Committee first issued in the 8th mo 1838 and now sent down by direction of the Yearly Meeting — also an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting to its Subordinate meetings were received and read to our Satisfaction

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

8mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 22d 1839

Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & George Howland Jr — Longplain Amaziah Delano & Seth C Hillers who are all present.

Jno R Davis & Cert. recd A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of John R. Davis Jr is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting —

Overseers of Poor appointed Wm Tallman, John Howland Elisha Thornton Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, George W. Baker and Philip Anthony are reappointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Recorder George W. Baker is appointed Recorder and Wm R. Taber assistant Recorder of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

9mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 26. 1839

Representatives from New Bedford William Tallman and George Howland — Longplain Amaziah Delano and Robert Brownell who are all present. —

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our several Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives and Barnabas Taber. Abraham Davis and George Howland are appointed to that service. —

Wm H Potter & Benjn Swift Cert. recd Removal certificates from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William H. Potter and from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Benjamin Swift a minor were accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting. —

9th mo 1839

Wm Eddy

The Overseers inform that William Eddy has long been remiss in the attendance of our religious meetings and has more recently wholly left them and manifests a preference for another denomination the meetings of which he is in the habit of attending — Joseph Davis and Weston Howland are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting. —

George F Hussey having requested a certificate on account of marriage to the Monthly Meeting of New-York Abraham Shearman Jr and George Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly Meeting.—

Overseers appointed

Francis Taber, Barnabas Taber, Abraham Shearman 2d Perry Russell, Abraham Davis, Amaziah Delano, and Seth C Hiller are appointed Overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

H. A. Potter cert. recd

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Swanzey Mo. Meeting on behalf of Hetty Ann Potter wife of William H. Potter

Seth Cowing 2d denied

The Committee appointed to visit Seth Cowing 2d presented the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

We have visited Seth Cowing 2d on account of his having married contrary to the order of our religious Society It is with feelings of regret that we have to report our apprehension that the sincerity of his acknowledgment is not evinced by a line of conduct consistent with our religious profession and believing that a longer continuance of the case under our care will not be useful we submit it to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting

Amaziah Delano
Abraham Davis
Joseph Davis
William R. Taber

New Bedford 9 mo 26, 1839

9m 1839 which being considered and having the concurrence of
Informd the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership
and Josiah Holmes Jr is named to inform him hereof.—

Longplain Subscriptions recd The Committee appointed to collect subscriptions presented the Treasurers receipt for fifty six dollars being the proportion of Longplain Preparative Meeting and completing the sum of seven hundred dollars proposed to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10m 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10m 24, 1839

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Joseph Kempton — Longplain Sands Wing & Tilling Howland who are all present.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended with one exception occasioned by ill health.

A certificate on account of marriage directed to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of George F. Hussey is approved.—

Sands Kelley denied The following communication from Sandwich Monthly Meeting with the accompanying report of a Committee appointed by that meeting in the case of Sands Kelley referred to their care by a minute of the 7th month last being received and considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and the Clerk is directed
informd to request Sandwich Monthly Meeting to inform him hereof.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear Friends

Agreeable to your request of 7th month last this meeting in the 8th month following appointed a Committee to visit Sands Kelley on account of his deviation — said Committee have now made the following report.

By direction and on behalf of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10m 4, 1839

Newell Hoxie, Clerk

10mo 1839 To Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends next to be held at Sandwich

Dear Friends

Agreable to appointment we have visited Claude Kelley and find him disposed to justify his deviation and we think he does not manifest that regard for our Society that will induce him to make friends satisfaction — yet says he should prefer to remain a member

Sandwich 10mo 2, 1839

Joshua Wing
Joseph Hoxie 3d } Committee

The friend named to inform Seth Cowing 2d of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him

Susan Howland returns Cert Scipio

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a certificate furnished her in the 6th month last to visit friends of Scipio Quarterly Meeting and some of the Meetings constituting the same: also minutes from the Monthly Meetings of Scipio & Hector stating that her company and gospel labours had been satisfactory to friends — which is acceptable to this meeting:

Susan Howland minute to R.I. & Smithfield

She also in a feeling manner opened in this meeting a concern that she felt to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Rhode Island and Smithfield and to visit some of the meetings constituting them if way should open for it — which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct being a minister in unity with us. — And the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Silvia Haswell denied

We unite with the womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Silvia Haswell late Kelley

Wm C Taber, Clerk

11mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 25 1839

Representatives from New Bedford Weston Howland and Reuben Russell — Longplain Charles Tompton & Sands Wing who are all present —

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the several preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary, 11mo 1839 of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives; — to which service we appoint Amaziah Delano, Barnabas Taber & Abiel D'Wolf. —

Susan Howland returns minute — Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this Meeting a copy of a minute furnished her last month and also informed this meeting that she had attended the Quarterly Meetings of Rhode-Island & Smithfield and some of the meetings constituting them much to the satisfaction and relief of her own mind. — She also presented a copy of a minute from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting stating that her religious services had been acceptable to friends: — which is satisfactory to this meeting. —

Rochester Committee report — The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester presented the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee to visit the Meetings at Rochester, report That some of their number as way has opened for it, have attended to their appointment; and sat with the few friends there; and though at times under feelings of discouragement they feel best satisfied to propose for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting, that said Meetings be continued for another year as they have heretofore been held under the care of a committee. —

On behalf of the Committee
Barns Taber
11th month 1839 Ruth Davis

which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting was accepted and the Meetings continued another year under the care of a Committee. — The following friends were appointed to present to our next Monthly Meeting the names of such friends as they may think suitable to compose a committee for that service viz — Reuben Russell, Francis Taber, Abm Shearman Jr, Sands Wing, Perry Russell and Charles Kempton. —

Nancy H. Davis denied — We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Nancy H. Davis who has united in membership with another religious Society. —

11mo 1839 The Committee appointed to visit Wm Eddy reported
Wm Eddy denied that they had had an interview with him and found him fixed in his mind in attending the meetings of another religious denomination and that further care in the case would not in their opinion be useful which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm Tallman is named
Informed to inform him thereof. -

Charles W. Howland having removed within the limits of Scipio Monthly Meeting and requested our certificate George W Baker & Wm Tallman are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

12mo 1839 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 26. 1839 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Tallman & John Howland Longplain Thomas Wood & Humphrey Kempton who are all present. -

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Rochester Committee appointed The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to report the names of friends to constitute the Rochester committee presented the following which were approved by the meeting and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year or till another appointment and they are requested to report as usual in the 11th month next. -
The friends are Francis Taber, Reuben Russell, Abraham Shearman Jr Sands Wing, Abraham Davis Joseph Davis Barnabas Taber, William Tallman, Benjamin Tuck, [illegible] Delano John H Davis, George Howland, John Howland Jr & George W Baker, Wm C Taber, & Wm R Taber.

Silas Brownell restored The Committee appointed in the case of Silas Brownell presented the following report with the accompanying acknowledgement which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting were accepted and he is accordingly

12m° 1839 retained in membership with us Wm C. Taber is named

informd to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting. —

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Silas Brownell on account of his marrying one who is not a member of our Society. He appears convinced in his own mind of the correctness of the principles of friends and sensible of transgressing in marrying contrary to their order. We are also informed that he is a frequent attender of our meetings. and we believe he is sincere in his request to be retained a member of our Society

New Bedford 12m° 25 1839

Sands Wing
William R. Taber

To the Monthly Meeting

Silas Brownells acknowledgmt Having married contrary to the good order of the Society I sincerely desire Friends would pass by my transgression and retain me a member under their care.

New Bedford 12m° 25, 1839 Silas Brownell

C. W. Howland removed A removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charles W. Howland is approved.

The friend named to inform William Eddy of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has been informed

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1m° 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1m° 23, 1840

Representatives from New Bedford, Rufus Shearman & Abm Parker — Longplain, Heli D'Wolf and Wing Howland who are all present except one. —

Clerks appd The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed having expired, Wm C Taber is appointed Clerk and Geo. W. Baker assistant Clerk of this meeting for the ensuing year or till another appointment. —

Auditors appointd Geo. Howland, John Howland and William Tallman are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain the sum necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend for

1mo 1840 Treasurer. — to report to our next Monthly Meeting.

George Howland Jr being about to leave this Country ~~britain~~ for England on business previous to our next Monthly Meeting and a certificate of membership being requested on his behalf Abm Shearman Jr & Wm C Taber are appointed to prepare one and the Clerk is directed to sign it on behalf of this Meeting. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

2mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 27 1840

Representatives from New Bedford George Howland William Tallman — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr & Robert Brownell who are all present. —

A Robeson Jr Complaint The Overseers of New Bedford preparative Meeting inform that Andrew Robeson Jr who according to the Discipline has a right of membership in our Society, does not attend our religious Meetings — George W Baker and William C Taber are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting. —

Jona Cowing Jr having requested a removal certificate for himself and family to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting — Josiah Holmes Jr and Amaziah Delano are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

P. S. Shearman restored The Committee appointed to visit Philip S. Shearman presented the following report: viz.

The Committee appointed to visit Philip S. Shearman on account of his marrying contrary to the order of Society and neglecting the attendance of our meetings report that we have had several opportunities with him to a good degree of satisfaction and find him as we believe sincerely desirous to make friends satisfaction for his deviation and fully decided to attend our meetings

To the Monthly Meetg
2mo 22, 1840

William Tallman
Geo. W. Baker

Which being read was with the accompanying acknowledgment

2 mo 1840 accepted (the womens meeting also concurring therein) and he is accordingly continued a member of our religious Society

Informed and Joseph Howland is named to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Having violated what I believe to be a good rule of Society by marrying contrary thereto, I am sincerely desirous that friends would so far pass by the deviation as to continue me a member of Society

P. Shearman acknowl.

1 mo 24 1839

Philip Shearman

O & P M Palmgreen Cert. recd

A Removal certificates from Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Olaff & Peter M. Palmgreen, minors are accepted

Report Com. on Bury. Grounds

The Committee on Funerals and Burying Grounds made the following report: viz

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report that they have given attention to their appointment and that some of their number have attended all funerals conducted under the care of Friends that have come to their knowledge and have conformed to the advices of the Meeting with respect to the interment in our burial ground of persons not members of our Society. No stones with inscriptions have been placed in the ground at New Bedford during the past year nor have any been removed. The number of graves at which wrought stones with inscriptions have been placed is forty four mostly done by persons not members of our Society

On behalf of the Committee
William Tallman
Aceli D. Wolf

Which being read was accepted and the following friends viz Barnabas Taber, William Tallman, Joseph Davis, Reuben Russell, Geo. W Baker, Joseph Taber, Benjn Swift, George Howland, Wm C Taber, Abrm Davis, Thomas H Howland, Sands Wing, Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Aceli D Wolf, Seth C. Hiller, Josiah Holmes 2d & Wm R Taber are appointed to that service for the year ensuing and are requested to report in

2 mo 1840 the second month next.—

Auditors Report The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts presented the following report

To the Monthly Meeting

We have this day settled with William C. Taber, Treasurer and find a balance due him of $42.48 and propose that the sum of nine hundred dollars be raised for the use of this meeting the ensuing year. We also propose that William C. Taber be reappointed Treasurer.

New Bedford 2 mo 6, 1840

William Tallman
John Howland
Geo. Howland

Treas. appointed which was read and accepted and in compliance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of nine hundred dollars and William C. Taber is reappointed Treasurer.

Matthew Howland Charles R. Tucker, Geo. M. Eddy Joseph R. Wing & Charles Kempton are appointed to receive subscriptions for the sum proposed and present the Treasurer's receipt therefor when accomplished.

Sands Kelly informed A communication was received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting stating that Sands Kelly had been informed of his denial and right of appeal.—

The Committee appointed to prepare a certificate of membership for George Howland Jr reported that he was furnished with one agreeably to the directions of our last monthly Meetg.

A Certificate was received from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting stating that our beloved friend Susan Howland had attended that and several meetings within its limits and that her company and religious services were acceptable to them.—

Wm C. Taber Clerk

3 mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 mo 26 1840

Representatives from New Bedford Weston Howland & Reuben Russell — Longplain Wing Howland & Seth C. Hiller who are all present.—

The Clerk being absent Geo. W. Baker is appointed

Clerk for the day.—

3mo 1840

Answers to the Qr Mtg

The Queries were read with answers, a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are Amaziah Delano, Barnabas Taber & Josiah Holmes Jr.

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Mtg.

J Cowing Jr & family removed

A removal certificate directed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Jonathan Cowing Jr and family is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.—

H. H. Swift denied

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Hannah H. Swift late Allen.

L Richmond denied

We also unite with that meeting in denying the right of membership to Lydia Richmond late Hussey.—

Geo. W. Barker clerk for the day

4mo 1840

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 23d 1840 Representatives from New Bedford George Howland and Timothy Akin — Longplain Robert Brownell and Joseph W Davis who are all present.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.—

London Epistle

The London general Epistle of the last year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.—

G Wilbour & family Cert. received

W G Wing Cert received

Removal certificates from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting on behalf of Gideon Wilbour & Susan his wife and their Children Isaac Gardner & Benjn Thomas and from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William G. Wing a minor are accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

E Jenney Jr & P. P. Swain denied

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Jenney Jr and also to Phebe P. Swain who attend the meetings of other religious denominations

Mary Tyson removed

A removal certificate directed to Baltimore Monthly Meeting for the Eastern & Western District on behalf of Mary Tyson is approved in Concurrence with the womens meeting.

Clother Gifford Complaint

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Clother Gifford has on divers occasions manifested want-

4th mo 1840 of unity with Friends by declining to take their advice and has of latter time much neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and that on these accounts labour has been extended without leading to any satisfactory result. Saml. Tabor, Josiah Holmes Jr and Wm R Taber are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meetg.

The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for eight hundred twenty eight dollars being New Bedford Preparative Meetings proportion of nine hundred dolls. the sum proposed to be raised. —

Tracts on Church Civil Governmt &c. A tract from the Meeting for Sufferings containing a declaration of views of Friends in relation to Church government was received and read and directed to be distributed. — ~~also~~ A tract on Civil Government was also received from the same source which is also directed to be distributed among our members. —

H. McCoughly We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a communication from Oswego Monthly Meeting informing us that they had ~~received~~ accepted an acknowledgement from Hannah McCoughly and received her as a member of their meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

5th mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th mo 28 1840.

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Charles R. Tucker — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Thomas S. Howland who were all present. —

J. Bowerman cert. acc. A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meetg on behalf of Joseph Bowerman a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Treas. acc. The Treasurer informs that he has received from the Committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the service of this Meeting seventy two dollars being Longplain Preparative Meetings proportion of the sum proposed to be raised. —

The Committee appointed to visit Andrew Robeson Jr presented the following report

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5mo 1840 To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we requested an interview with Andrew Robeson Jr which was readily granted. He appeared to be favourably disposed towards friends but stated that there were circumstances that would prevent him from uniting with us as a religious Society and could give us no assurance of attending our meetings. - Believing that we cannot be further usefull in the case we submit it to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting

George W. Baker
New Bedford 5mo 22, 1840 Wm C. Taber

Andrew Robeson Jr denied Which was accepted and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we deny him the right of membership and George W. Baker is
Informed named to inform him hereof. —

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right
M. C. Eddy denied of membership to Mary C. Eddy who attends the meetings of another
Ann A. Kelly Mary Davis denied religious denomination. - We also unite with them in denying the right of membership to Ann A. Kelly for the same cause. - also in the case of Mary Davis for neglecting the attendance of our meetings. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

6mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 25th 1840
Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & John Howland — Longplain Amaziah Delano and Seth C Hiller - who are all present

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers
Answers to 2d Qus from our several Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Amaziah Delano, Francis Taber and Joseph Taber. -

P. Weeks Cert. recd A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meetg on behalf of Prince Weeks is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting. -

The friend named to inform Andrew Robeson Jr of the minute of denial made in his case reports his attention thereto. -

6mo 1840 George Howland Jr returned to this meeting a certificate furnished him in the first month last on the occasion of his visiting England on business —

G. C. Hussey's Cert recd We unite with the Women's Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Gertrude C. Hussey wife of George F. Hussey

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

7mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 23. 1840

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Benjamin Swift — Longplain, Elisha Thornton and Robert Brownell who are all present but one who is we are informed necessarily absent.

T H Howland & William Davis request advice Thomas H Howland and Williams Davis each request the advice of Friends in placing out a son with one who is not a member. Friends Wing and Amasiah Delano are appointed to take the necessary care in the respective cases and render such advice as may appear necessary and report to a future meeting —

John West's Estate The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West presented the following report which is satisfactory to this meeting, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The accounts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West have been examined and found correct. The balance in their hands in the 7th month 1837 was fifty one dollars ninety two cents. The amount received since that time for rents and for wood sold has been five hundred forty nine dollars eighty seven cents.

There has been expended on the farms mostly in the erection of a barn and repairs on the buildings eight hundred and eighty eight dollars and seventy eight cents, and there had been distributed by the Trustees twenty nine dollars leaving a balance now due the Trustees of three hundred and twenty one dollars forty six Cents

Geo. Wm Baker Auditor

7mo 23 1840

7 mo 1840 We are informed by a communication from our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the sum to be raised for the service of that Meeting is one hundred thirty two dollars

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee were received and read in this meeting.

D Delano denied We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Dolly Delano late Tripp who has married one who is not a member of our Society and does not attend our meetings.

L Sisson denied We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Lavina Sisson late Cowen who has married out of the order of our Society.

Charity Scholars Geo. W. Baker, Abm Shearman Jr W^m R. Taber and Sands Wing are appointed to forward to the Sub Committee of Providence Boarding School the names of such children as may appear entitled to the privilege of the charitable fund of that School.—

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

W^m C. Taber, Clerk

8 mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly meeting held 8 Mo: 27. 1840. Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber & Reuben Russell Long Plain Riley Howland & Seth C. Hiller who are all present.

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker is appointed Clerk for the day

Clothier Gifford denied The Committee appointed to visit Clothier Gifford presented the following report, viz

"To the monthly meeting

We your Committee in the case of Clothier Gifford report that we have had several opportunities with him on the subjects of complaint and therein labored to convince him of the inconsistency of his conduct and of the necessity of maintaining the discipline and order of Society, without the desired effect which we submit to the monthly meeting.

8 mo 27th 1840

Barnabas Taber
Wm R. Taber
Josiah Holmes Jr.

8mo 1840 which is accepted and with the concurrence of the women's meeting we deny him the right of membership and Amariah Delano is named to inform him thereof.

Daniel Knowles requests

Daniel Knowles having requested to become a member of our religious society we appoint Abraham Davis Francis Taber and Sands [illegible] to visit him and report their judgment in the case at a future meeting

Thomas Bowerman Cert. received

A removal certificate from Sandwich Mo. Meeting on behalf of Thomas Bowerman is accepted the women's meeting concurring herein.

Wm. Baker Clerk for the day

9mo 1840 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 24. 1840

Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Butler and Geo. Howland Jr — Longplain Thomas H Howland and Daniel Davis; who are all present but one for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.—

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d & 10th a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetg by our Representatives who are Francis Taber, George Howland and Abraham Davis.—

C. Gifford informed & appeals to Quarterly Mg

The friend named to inform Clother Gifford of his being denied the right of membership reports that he has informed him and that he appeals from the judgment of this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting.—

Committee to represent case of C. Gifford

Abm Shearman Jr, Francis Taber, Thomas Wood Reuben Russell, Wm R. Taber & Abraham Davis are appointed to represent the case of Clother Gifford before the Quarterly Meeting should he appear there to prosecute his appeal from the judgment of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of the minutes of this meeting relating to the subject.

Overseers appd

Francis Taber, Benjn Taber, Abm Shearman Jr, Perry Russell, Abm Davis, Amariah Delano & Seth C. Hiller are reappointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment

9mo 1840

Overseers of Poor

Wm Tallman, John Howland, Elisha Thornton Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, Geo. W. Baker and Philip Anthony are reappointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Recorder

Geo. W. Baker is appointed Recorder and Wm R. Taber assistant Recorder of this Meeting for the Year ensuing or till another appointment

The Committee appointed in the 7th month to take into consideration the request of Thomas H. Howland and Williams Davis report that they have attended to their appointment and think it would be well for their children to be placed as proposed; with which this Meeting unites.—

Hannah Allen denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Hannah Allen who has absented herself from our meetings and attends those of another religious denomination.—

Caroline Anthony denied

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Caroline Anthony late Green who has married contrary to the order of our Society

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10mo 1840

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 22 1840

Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift and William Gifford — Longplain John Wood & Sands Wing, who are all present.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting reports that they all attended.—

Complaint against Edmund Grinnell and he is denied

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Edmund Grinnell who according to discipline has a right of membership in our Society has not attended our religious meetings and on inquiry being made has given no encouragement of attending them in future which being considered and it appearing further from an interview had with him that he preferred relinquishing his right in Society and that he had removed to a distance from any friends we deny him the right of membership (the Womens Meeting

10m.o 1840 concerning him and the Clerk is directed to inform him hereof. —

Committee on appeal Continued — The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting, to represent the case of Moses Gifford before the Quarterly Meeting, are continued on that service he having preferred bringing his appeal before the Quarterly Meeting in the 12th month next.

London Epistle — The London general Epistle was read in this Meeting, to our satisfaction

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

11m.o 1840 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting, held 11m.o 26 1840

Representatives from New Bedford, Reuben Russell & Rufus Sherman — Longplain Robert Brownell & Rich.d L. Wolcott are all present. —

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d. & 10th a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our representatives who are Perry Russell, Wm. Tallman, Amaziah Delano & Giles Stanton. —

Rochester Committee report — The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester presented the following report viz

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee to visit the Meetings at Rochester report that some of their number have as way has opened for it attended to their appointment and after conferring together feel best satisfied to propose that said meeting be continued for the present as heretofore held under the care of a Committee Which we submit for consideration

New Bedford 11m.o 25, 1840

On behalf of the Committee
Saml. Taber
Susan Howland

Meetings Continued — which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting was accepted and the Meetings are accordingly continued another year as heretofore. — The Committee now under appointment are continued another year or till another appointment and are requested to report in the 11th month next

11mo 1840 unless they should think it best to bring the subject sooner before this meeting. —

Susan Gibson
Eliza N. Allen
Sarah Lewis
denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Susan Gibson late Russell who has married out of the order of our Society: — Also to Eliza N. Allen who has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings also in the case of Sarah Lewis late Tripp who has married out of the order of our Society. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

12mo 1840

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 24, 1840

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Edmund Gardner — Longplain, Thomas Wood and Seth C. Miller who are all present but one.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Esther Shearman
cert. rec'd

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Swanzey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Esther Shearman.

Susan Hathaway
denied

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Susan Hathaway who has neglected our meetings and attends those of another religious denomination. —

Susan Howland
visit to
Salem &
Rhode Island

Our beloved friend Susan Howland laid before this Meeting a concern which she had some time felt to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meetings of Salem and Rhode-Island and also, if way should open for it, of visiting the Meetings constituting Salem Quarterly Meeting which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct She being a minister in unity with us, and the clerk was directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Rebecca Howland
removed

We unite with the Womens Meeting in approving a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rebecca Howland. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 28 1841
Representatives from NewBedford. Thomas [illegible] [illegible]
Wm Gifford — Longplain Josiah Holmes 2d and [illegible]
R. Wing who are all present.—

Clerk & Assistant — The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed having expired Wm C. Taber is appointed Clerk and Thomas W. Taber assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

Auditors appointed — Abm Parker George Howland and Saml Wing are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts; to ascertain what sum is necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend for Treasurer — to report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

Complaint B. S. Petch — The Overseers of NewBedford Preparative Meeting inform that Benjamin S. Petch who according to discipline has the right of membership in our religious society wholly neglects the attendance of our meetings Wm Tallman and John Howland are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

2mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 25, 1841
Representatives from NewBedford [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]
Howland — Longplain Josiah Holmes 2d and Shadrach
Lewis who are all present.—

Burial Ground Committee report — The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following Report

viz: "The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of burial grounds report that when the care of friends has been requested at funerals some of the Committee have attended.— A care has been extended to burial grounds and the Committee are not aware that any change has taken place either by the removal of stones previously placed to the graves or by the erection of new ones since their last report—

To the Monthly Meetg — On behalf of the Committee

2mo 20 1841 — Wm Tallman

which being read and considered was accepted and the friends

2mo 1841 now under appointment viz Saml Taber, William
Joseph Davis, Reuben Russell, Geo. W. Baker, Joseph Taber, Benjamin Swift, George Howland, Wm C. Taber, Abm Davis, Thomas H. Howland, Sands Wing, Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Abel D. Wolf, Seth C. Hiller, Josiah Holmes 2 and Wm R. Taber are continued on that service for the ensuing year and are requested to report in the second month next. — And it was the sense of this meeting that the subject of the appointment of a Committee on the part of the Womens Meeting to unite with friends of this meeting in the oversight of funerals be proposed to them for their consideration. With which they concurred. —

Auditors report — The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts presented the following report — viz

"To the Monthly Meeting

"We have this day examined and settled the Treasurers acct and find a balance due him of eleven 83/100 dollars

The Committee propose the sum of nine hundred dollars to be raised for the use of the Monthly Meeting and likewise propose Wm C Taber for treasurer.

2mo 22 1841

Abm Barker
George Howland

Treasurer appointed — which was read and accepted and in compliance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of nine hundred dollars and Wm C Taber was appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or till another appointment. —

Committee to receive subscripts — Daniel Davis, Matthew Howland, Wm R. Taber, Geo. M. Eddy, John Wood and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to receive subscriptions to complete the proposed sum and to present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished. —

Lydia Spooner denied — We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Lydia Spooner late Gardner who has married out of the order of our Society. —

Susan Howland returns minute — Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 12th mo. last together with satisfactory minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of

2 m.o 1841 Salem and Rhode Island and the Monthly Meeting of Weare informing us that her company and religious services had been satisfactory to those meetings. — She also informed friends that she had been enabled to perform the service contemplated in her minute very much to the relief and peace of her own mind: which is acceptable to this meeting. — She also laid before this meeting a renewed concern that she had felt to attend the ensuing Monthly Meetings of Seabrook & Salem and also to visit the families or part of the families of friends of Seabrook Monthly Meeting which being considered was feelingly united and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as truth may direct She being a minister in unity with us: — and the Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

a Howland
to Salem
Seabrook

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

3 m.o 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3 m.o 25 1841 Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Rufus Shearman — Longplain Richard Davis & Joseph W. Davis who are all

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker is appointed Clerk for this time. —

Queries The Queries were read with answers a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives who are Joseph Davis, Abeli D. Wolf & Barnabas Taber. —

Isaac Cowing complaint The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Isaac Cowing has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member — Barnabas Taber and William Tallman are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting. —

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for this time

4 m.o 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 m.o 22. 1841 Representatives from New Bedford, George Howland and Giles E. Staunton — Longplain Gideon Wilbur and Abeli D'Wolf who are all present. —

4 mo 1841 The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

The Committee appointed in the 1st month last to visit Benjamin S. Rotch presented the following report

B. S. Rotch report of Committee

"To the Monthly Meeting

Pursuant to our appointment we have visited Benj.n S. Rotch, and informed him of the complaint against him for neglecting the attendance of our meetings. He gave us no encouragement of attending them as he preferred attending those of another denomination. Although he professed to feel a regard for our Society and would prefer to remain a member of it yet he was satisfied he could not comply with what would be required of him and had no reasons to offer why he should not be disowned but thought under the circumstances that he ought to be.

William Tallman
New Bedford 4 mo 21, 1841 John Howland

& denied

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and John Howland is named to inform him thereof. —

W. H. Potter Committee to prepare cert.

William H. Potter having requested a removal certificate to Hamburg Monthly Meeting, State of New York George W. Baker and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Susan Howland returns minute

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the Second month last to pay a religious visit to the monthly meetings of Seabrook and Salem and also to the families of friends within their limits. — She also presented satisfactory testimonies of the unity and acceptance of the friends of those meetings with her company and religious labours and informed ~~the meeting~~ friends that she had been enabled to perform the arduous duty assigned her greatly to the relief and peace of her own mind which is satisfactory to this meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

mo 1841

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 24th 1841 — Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & Charles R. Tucker — Longplain Thomas W. Howland and Seth C. Hilton who are all present

B. Potch informed

The friend named to inform Benjamin Potch of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him —

W.H. Potter remov^d

A removal certificate to Hamburg Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm H. Potter is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 2d month last to receive subscriptions for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers receipt for nine hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.—

H. R. Russell Maria Thomas S. Louisa cert. rec^d

We concur with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting of New York on behalf of Hannah R. Russell wife of Benjamin Russell and her three minor children, Maria Thomas S. & Louisa.—

Wm C. Taber Clerk

mo 1841

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 24th 1841 —— Representatives from New Bedford William Tallman & George Howland Jr — Longplain Amaziah Delano & Josiah Holmes Jr who are all present but one who is not at home .—

Thomas Jones comp^n John Guffum

Our esteemed friend Thomas Jones attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Durham Monthly Meeting — His company and gospel services have been acceptable to us; as was also the company of his companion John Guffum from the same Monthly Meeting — the Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each

6 mo 1841 The queries were read in this Meeting with answers

Queries from the Preparative Meetings, a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint George W Baker, Francis Taber and Joseph W Davis.

Phebe C Haines Our esteemed friend Phebe C. Haines attended this meeting and produced minutes from Redstone Monthly Meeting held 28th of 4th month and from Redstone Quarterly Meeting held at Providence Pennsylvania 1st of 5th month last. – Her company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us as was also the company of her husband Eli Haines who accompanies her in her present religious visit with a minute from the same Mo. Meeting. – the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively. –

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

7 mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 mo 22, 18

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Benj. Swift – Longplain Seth C. Miller and Amaziah Delano who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended

Rachel S. Wing acknowledgt recd. We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting an acknowledgment from Rachel S. Wing late Swift for her deviation in marriage and in continuing her in membership with us.

Job Eddy & wife certif. recd. A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Job Eddy and Wife Mehitable is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting. –

Minutes from Y. Meeting Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee were received and read in this meeting.

Geo. W. Baker, Abm Shearman Jr, Wm R Taber Sands Wing are appointed to forward to the Sub-Committee

EXTRACTS

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 13*th to the* 17*th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month,* 1841.

The Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School was produced and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings; and Friends were desired to give their attention to the suggestions of the Committee in regard to the admission of scholars. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to superintend the various concerns of the Boarding School, Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year, to attend to the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of scholars in the Institution has been eighty-five. Meetings for religious worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony, we believe, has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue to occupy the place of Superintendents, acceptably to us. Samuel Austin and Joseph W. Aldrich are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich and Rebecca Chipman in the Girls'. George F. Read continues to have charge of the Books, and to instruct in the Languages. Pliny E. Chase has been employed as a Teacher during the past year, and Charles H. Nichols, Elizabeth H. Osborne and Lydia Earle, each, one term.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by $1066, 31 cents, and that there is now a balance in the Treasury of $2203, 15 cents. Twenty-two hundred and twenty dollars and 17 cents have been expended in various repairs on the buildings and furniture for the house; and as many additional repairs and improvements are required about the house and farm, we do not consider it expedient to propose any change in the price of admission from that of last year, viz. $30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; $45, for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members; and $50 for members of our Society, of other Yearly Meetings; Books and Stationary to continue to be furnished, as at present. We herewith forward a copy of the Superintendent's account, for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

While the Committee believe that manifest advantage has resulted from the division of the year into *terms*, they are sensible it has not been so fully realized as is desirable, from the circumstance that many scholars have entered for a less time than one term, and at different periods in it. While we are aware there may be cases in which parents may desire to place their children in the School for only three months, and we would not wish to deny this privilege when circumstances seem to forbid their remaining through a whole term, yet we hope these applications will not be frequent; and we believe the good of all requires that in future, in such cases, the scholars shall enter either at the commencement or the middle of the term.

Inconvenience has sometimes arisen from a neglect of the observance of the regulation adopted by the Yearly Meeting at the establishment of the School, that for all males over fourteen years of age, the consent of the Sub-Committee to their entrance must be obtained previously to their coming to the School, and for the future we would propose that this Rule should be strictly adhered to. It will be remembered that the Sub-Committee meets at the Institution on third day before the first fifth day in every month.

Ten scholars have enjoyed the benefit of the charitable fund during the past term; and the same number may receive the privilege the ensuing winter session; and Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their applications at or before the time of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on the fifth of the tenth month.

An examination of the School has taken place at the close of each term, in the presence of special Committees appointed for that purpose, and their reports of the proficiency of the pupils and the general condition of the School, have been satisfactory to us. In the one presented at this time, after referring to the satisfaction derived from the visit, the Committee proceed to state, that "the correctness of the recitations of the children, and the readiness and knowledge manifested in the various studies to which they have given their attention, evinced a commendable degree of industry and application on the part of the scholars, and of care and diligence on that of the Teachers; and the general appearance of the schools and the orderly deportment of the pupils while we were with them, received our approbation." We can but regret that the number of scholars is not larger than it has been for the past few years, believing as we do, that an opportunity is afforded in this Institution to obtain a useful education, in good measure guarded from the contaminating influences of the world; and we would desire that Friends might be encouraged to avail themselves of its benefits.

In conclusion we may state that the family and scholars have been favored with almost uninterrupted good health during the past year; which, with the many other mercies graciously extended to us by Him who condescends still to care for us, calls for the tribute of grateful hearts.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th mo. 7th, 1841.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 11th mo. 1st. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5th mo. 2d, 1842.]

THE Meeting for Sufferings having published an edition of Memorials of deceased Friends of this Yearly Meeting, it was recommended to subordinate Meetings to enter into subscriptions therefor, (at twenty-five cents each,) and the Clerks of Monthly Meetings were requested to forward to the Clerk of the Meeting for Sufferings, an account of the number of copies called for in each Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. *Clerk.*

7mo 1841 of Providence Boarding School the names of such children as may appear entitled to the priviledges of the charitable fund of that School.

Memorials The clerk is directed to receive subscriptions for "the Memorials of deceased Friends of New England Yearly Meeting" now published by the Meeting for Sufferings and forward them to the Clerk of that Meeting.

Sarah Vale denied We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of Membership to Sarah Vale late Swift who has married out of the order of our Society

Quarterly Meet'g Stock We are informed by a communication from our last Quarterly Meeting that our proportion of the Sum to be raised for the Service of that meeting is one hundred forty eight 50/100 dolls

J. Davis Western New York Our esteemed Friend Joseph Davis a minister in unity with us informed the meeting that he had a prospect of making a visit to his friends in the Western part of the State of New York which is agreeable to this meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

8mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 26th of 8mo 1841 Representatives from New Bedford Jos Eddy & Rufus Shearman - Longplain Elnathan E Delano & Abel D. Wolf who are all present.

The Clerk being absent George W. Baker is appointed clerk for the time

Trustees appt'd Jn. West Edward W. Howland and Charles R Tucker are appointed Trustees to the Estate of John West in addition to the friends now under appointment.

Geo. W. Baker, Clerk for the time

11mo 1841 . At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 23, 1841
Representatives from New Bedford Giles E. Stanton and John Howland — Longplain Walter Davis and Gideon Wood who are all present but one

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 5th 2d and 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint George W. Baker, Job Eddy and Sands Wing. —

Cert requested G.W.B. Jr — A removal certificate being requested on behalf of Geo. W. Baker Jr. to the Monthly Meeting of Baltimore for the Eastern & Western Districts. Wm. C. Taber and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Overseers appd. — Francis Taber, Saml. Taber, Abm. Shearman Jr Perry Russell, Abm. Davis, Amaziah Delano & Seth C. Miller are reappointed Overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing, or till another appointment. —

Overseers of Poor — Wm. Tallman, John Howland, Elisha Thornton Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, Geo. W. Baker, & Philip Anthony are continued as overseers of the poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Recorder & assistant — Geo. W. Baker is appointed Recorder and Wm. C. Taber assistant Recorder of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment. —

Caroline Morgan denied — We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Caroline Morgan late Hathaway who has married out of the order of our Society and attends the meetings of another religious denomination. —

Jos. Davis returning minute — Our esteemed friend Joseph Davis returned to this meeting the copy of a minute furnished him in the 7th month last on the occasion of his visit to his friends in the Western part of the State of New York —

Susan Howland visit to North Carolina & Baltimore — Our esteemed friend Susan Howland opened in this meeting a concern that had for several years impressed her mind and more particularly for the past year to visit —

9mo 1841 friends of North Carolina and pe [illegible] if way should open for it to attend the ensuing Yearly Meetings of Baltimore and North Carolina with some of the meetings constituting the latter yearly meeting and some meetings on the way going and returning which claiming the solid consideration of friends was feelingly united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as Truth may direct she being a minister in unity with us. — The Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a certificate embracing the substance of this minute and sign it on our behalf.

Geo. Howland accompanies his wife

Our friend George Howland informed this Meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying his wife on her proposed religious visit to Baltimore and North Carolina Yearly Meetings which is united with he being a member in unity with us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 28. 1841

Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy & Wm Gifford — Longplain John Wood & Josiah Holmes who are all present. —

We are informed that the absence of one of the representatives to our last Monthly Meeting was occasioned by ill health. —

Complaint Jeduthan T. Penney

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Jeduthan T. Penney has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member Job Eddy and Giles E. Stanton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

Abraham Parker and George W. Baker are appointed to prepare a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William W. Allen a minor

10 Mo 1841 who has removed to reside within the limits of that meeting. —

G W Baker 2d removed — A removal certificate to Baltimore Monthly Meeting for the Eastern & Western Districts on behalf of George W. Baker 2d is approved.

Communicat- Mo Mg Philadelphia — The following communication being received from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Western District we appoint John Howland & George W. Baker to visit Saml G. Morgan on the subject of the complaint and report to a future meeting. —

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

At a Monthly meeting of Friends of Philadelphia for the Western District held 10th mo 20th 1841

The Preparative Meeting informs that Samuel Griffitts Morgan has declined the attendance of our religious meetings and has married a woman not professing with Friends by the aid of a hireling minister. — His residence being within the limits of New Bedford Monthly Meeting the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to that meeting with a request that they would treat with him on our behalf —

Extracted from the minutes,

Caleb Peirce Correspondent — Charles Yarnall Clerk"

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

Mary Swift denied — We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary Swift who has joined another religious Society. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

11 Mo 1841 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 25th 1841 Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift and Joseph Taber — Longplain Josiah Holmes 2d and Richard Davis who were all present but one. —

1 Mo. 1841 Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Amaziah Delano, Job Eddy & Giles E. Stanton.

Report of Committee J. T. Jenney The Committee appointed to visit Jedutham T. Jenney on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report. viz.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

We your Committee in the case of Jedutham T. Jenney report that we have had an opportunity with him and he appears to be sensible of his deviation from the order of our society in marrying with one that is not a member but he does not appear to be in a situation of mind to make friends satisfaction and we are united in judgment that we can be of no further use in the case which we submit to the judgment of the meeting

Job Eddy
New Bedford 1 Mo. 15, 1841 Giles E. Stanton

J. T. Jenney denied which being considered was united with and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is denied the right of membership and George W. Baker and Wm C. Taber are named to inform him hereof.—

Report S. G. Morgan The Committee appointed to visit Samuel Griffitts Morgan in complyance with a request from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Western District presented the following report viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed for that purpose have had an interview with Samuel Griffitts Morgan. He expressed that he felt some reluctance to being severed from the Society of Friends yet there were parts of their

11mo 1841 discipline with which he could not unite and he did not expect in future to attend their meetings and was not disposed to condemn his past deviations. It is our judgment that further labour in the case would not be productive of usefulness which we submit to the meeting

John Howland
George W. Baker

11mo 24, 1841

which was approved by this meeting and the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute.

Meetings at Rochester Continued

The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following report which being considered was accepted the Womens Meeting also uniting herein and the meetings are accordingly continued another year as heretofore held under the care of a Committee. And the same Committee with the addition of Job Eddy are continued on that service and directed to report in the 11th month next.

Wm W. Allen removed

A removal Certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of William W. Allen a minor is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

Report Rochester Committee

Report of the Rochester Committee above referred to

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester report that some of their number have as way has opened for it attended to their appointment and sat with the few friends there and after conferring together on the subject, feel best satisfied to propose for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting that said Meetings be continued for another year; as at present held under the care of a committee

On behalf of the Committee
William Tallman
Mary Taber

New Bedford
11mo 20, 1841

12 mo 1841 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12 mo 23 1841

Representatives from New Bedford George Howland Jr and Timothy Akin — Long Plain Seth C Hiller and Wing Howland who are all present.

B. S. Hardy's Cert. rec.d A removal certificate from Philadelphia Mo Meeting on behalf of Benjamin S. Hardy is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended.—

James Mery having requested a ~~removal~~ Certificate on account of marriage to [illegible] Monthly Meeting Philip Anthony and George W. Baker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next monthly Meeting.

London Epistle The London general Epistle of the present year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

S. Howland returns Minutes Our esteemed friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting the certificate furnished her in the fifth month last on the occasion of her late religious visit together with satisfactory minutes from the Yearly Meetings of Baltimore and North Carolina also from the Western Quarterly Meeting of North Carolina and from Deep River Monthly Meeting in the same State — Stating that her company and religious labours with them had been satisfactory and edifying — which is acceptable to this meeting.

Geo. Howland Our friend George Howland also returned a minute furnished him at the same time as companion to his wife with satisfactory minutes from the same meetings.

Auditors app.d John Howland, George Howland and George W Baker are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, to ascertain what sum is necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year also to propose the name of a friend to serve as Treasurer and to report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1mo 1842

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 27, 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Edward W. Howland, and Job Eddy — Longplain Robert Brownell and Aneli D'Wolf who are all present.—

Jas. Almy's Cert. on acc. Marriage

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of James Almy is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Auditors report

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers acct. and for other purposes presented the following report, viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have this day examined the Treasurers accts which we find correct and a balance in his hands of two 74/100 dolls. and would propose the sum of nine hundred dollars be raised for the use of the Monthly Meeting and likewise propose William C Taber for Treasurer

1mo 11, 1842—

Geo Howland
John Howland

Treasurer app.d

Which was accepted and in accordance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of nine hundred dolls for the service of this meeting, and Wm C Taber is appointed Treas. for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Committee to receive Subs.

Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis, John Wood, Geo. H. Hussey, Charles R. Tucker & Gideon Wood are appointed to receive subscriptions to complete the proposed sum and to present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, being requested on behalf of Claudiah Davis, Jeremiah Delano and Thomas Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.—

Esther Shearman removed

We concur with the Womens Meeting in approving a removal certificate to Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Esther Shearman.—

Clerk & assistant app.d

The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed having expired Wm C. Taber is reappointed Clerk and Geo. W. Taber Assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Wm C. Taber Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 21st 1842 -

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Edmund Gardner — Longplain Amaziah Delano and Richard Davis who are all present: -

Complaint W. J. Rotch

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Wm J. Rotch who according to the discipline of our Society has a right of membership with us neglects the attendance of our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future — William Tallman and George W Baker are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

A removal certificate being requested on behalf of Francis Morgan Rotch to Butternuts Monthly Meeting, State of New York John Howland and Wm C. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting. -

Burial Ground Committee report

The committee having the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds presented the following report -

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds report that during the past year, some of the Committee have attended all funerals where their care has been requested and the conclusions of the Monthly Meeting in regard to the interment in our burial grounds of persons not members of our Society have been attended to. Grave Stones have been erected at one grave in the ground at New Bedford which have been removed; no other change has taken place during the past year. —

On behalf of the Committee

2mo 21st 1842

Geo. W. Baker

which being considered was accepted and the following friends viz. Barnabas Taber, Wm Tallman, Jos. Davis Geo W Baker, Joseph Taber, Benjamin Swift George Howland, Wm C Taber, Abraham Davis Thomas H. Howland

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2mo 1842 Sands Wing, Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, [illegible] D'Wolf, Seth C. Miller, Josiah Holmes Jr, Wm R Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Richard Davis, Charles R. Tucker and Edwd W. Howland are appointed on that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment and are requeste to report in the second month next.—

O. Davis removed — A removal certificate directed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Obadiah Davis is approved with the concurrence of the Womens meeting and directed to be signed by the Clerk.—

Comm: Mo Mg Philadelphia — A communication was received from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Western District covering a testimony of that meeting in the case of Saml G. Morgan and requesting that it might be delivered him with information of his right of appeal John Howland and Geo. W Baker are appointed to perform that service and report when accomplished.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

3mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 24. 1842— Representatives from New Bedford, Geo. Howland & Timothy Akin — Longplain, Elnathan E Delano & Gideon Willia who are all present.—

Clerk absent — The Clerk being absent Geo. W Baker was appointe clerk for the day.—

Queries — The Queries were read with answers a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Abm Eddy, Francis Taber & John Howland.—

F.M. Rotch removed — A removal certificate directed to Butternuts Monthly Meeting State of New York on behalf of Francis Morgan Rotch was approved—

S.G. Morgan — The Friends named to deliver to Samuel G. Morgan a testimony from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Western District denying him the right of membership and to inform him of his right of appeal reported their attention to the subject and the clerk was directed to forward to said Meeting the information

3 mo 1842
Martha Tucker denied

This Meeting united with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Martha Tucker late Robinson who has married out of the order of Society.

Geo. W. Baker Clerk for the time

4 mo 1842

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 mo 28. 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Timothy Aiken — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Elisha Thornton who are all present.—

Committee on subscript.n report

The friends appointed to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers receipt for nine hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.—

Wm. J. Rotch report

The Committee appointed in the second month last to visit Wm. J. Rotch presented the following report viz. The Committee appointed for that purpose have had an interview with William J. Rotch, we found him decided and as he expressed to us satisfied in attending the Unitarian Meeting and had no expectation at present of attending the meetings of Friends. It is our judgment that further labor in the case will not be useful.

Wm. Tallman
4 mo 27. 1842 To the Monthly Meetg Geo. W. Baker

W J Rotch denied

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and George Howland Jr is named to inform him thereof.—

J. R. Tallman report

The Committee appointed in the eleventh month 1838 to visit Joseph R. Tallman presented the following report, viz: To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have had an opportunity with Joseph R. Tallman on account of his marrying contrary to our Discipline and do not find him in a

4 mo 1842 state of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deviation, although he expressed a degree of regard for Society. He informed us that his wife was a member of another Society and he attended meetings with her — Therefore believing further labour from us will not be useful we submit the case to the judgment of the meeting

New Bedford 4 mo 28, 1842

Francis Taber
Perry Russell

A. R. Tallman denied — which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership And Joseph Taber is named to inform him thereof. –

E B Gardner removal Cert. requested — A removal certificate being requested to the Monthly Meeting of Cincinnati State of Ohio on behalf of Edmund B Gardner a minor – John Howland and Geo. W. Baker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

Silas Delano request cert On acct of marriage — Silas Delano having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, Wm R. Taber and Thomas Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting

Susan H Smith removed — We concur with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan H. Smith.

B H Bliss cert recd — Ruth Swift denied — We also concur with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Bathsheba H. Bliss; and in denying the right of membership to Ruth Swift who has joined another religious Society.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

5th mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th 26 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift and Joseph Kempton — Longplain Walter Davis and Archi DWolf who are all present.—

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ndwich Mo

The following communication being received from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich together with a complaint from the Overseers of that Meeting against John G. Fraley we appoint Benjamin Swift and Timothy Akin to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting. viz

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

I am directed by Sandwich Monthly Meeting held at Falmouth 5th mo 6 1842 to transmit to you the annexed complaint against John G. Fraley now residing in New Bedford and to express their request that you take the case under your care and inform us of your doings therein

Newell Hoxie, Clerk

Complaint
J. G. Fraley

To Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends

John G. Fraley has so far departed from the religious principles of Friends as to acknowledge water baptism by being baptised and uniting with the Baptist Society he has also married with one not of our Society. We have sought an opportunity but have not been able to see him on this account.—

Daniel Swift
Newell Hoxie } Overseers

Falmouth 4mo 26, 1842

Report—
Isaac Cowan

The Committee appointed in the 3rd month 1841 to visit Isaac Cowan on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report. viz

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Isaac Cowan on the subject of marriage contrary to the order of our discipline.— He manifested a regard for Society but did not condemn the step he had taken and was willing Friends should dispose of it as they thought best. Believing further

5th mo 1842 labour from us will not be useful we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting

5th mo 26, 1842

William Tallman
Saml. Taber

Isaac Cowing denied

which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Josiah Holmes 2d is named to inform him hereof.--

Silas Delano

A certificate on account of marriage to Dartmo. Monthly Meeting on behalf of Silas Delano is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Ruth Almy cert. recd

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth Almy wife of James Almy.

Eliz. Weld denied

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Weld late Rodman who has married out of the order of our Society and does not attend our meetings.-

E B Gardner rem. cert.

A removal certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Cincinnati State of Ohio on behalf of Edmund J. Gardner a minor is approved.-

Wm. Rotch informed

The friend named to inform Wm. Rotch of his being denied the right of membership reports that he has been informed.

Ruth Davis visit to Rhode Island.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis laid before this meeting a concern that had for some time impressed her mind to make a religious visit to some of the meetings within the limits of Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting and to appoint one or two meetings without the pale of Society and also if way should open for it in the Truth to visit the families of friends of Providence Monthly Meeting:— which claiming the consideration of this meeting was united with and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as Truth may direct she being a minister in unity with us. And the Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute and to sign it on our behalf.-

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

6mo. 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meetg held 6mo 23 1842
Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy and Henry F. Wood — Longplain Amaziah Delano and Sands Wing who are all present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the several preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Joseph Davis, Josiah Holmes and John Howland.

Cowen inform'd The friends named to inform Isaac Cowen and Wm. P. Tallman of the minutes of denial made in their respective cases report that the information has been given.

M. Howland mar. cert. A certificate on account of marriage to Burlington Monthly Meeting being requested on behalf of Matthew Howland — William C. Taber and George W. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

nna Thornburg
ybil Jones Our esteemed friends Anna Thornburg of Walnut Ridge Monthly Meeting, Indiana and Sybil Jones of China Monthly Meeting, State of Maine attended this meeting and presented satisfactory minutes of the unity of their respective meetings with their present religious concern.. Their company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us — as has also been the company of Thomas Hill and Dinah Gardner of Walnut Ridge Mo. Meeting companions of Anna Thornburg and Eli Jones and Cyrus Jones of China Monthly Meetg companions to Sybil Jones.

mas Hill
inah Gardner

Eli Jones
rus Jones

The Clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with copies of minutes expressive of the sense of this meeting relating to each respectively.—

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

7mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 28, 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Wm Penn Howland and Abr.m Parker — Longplain Amaziah Delano & Robert Brownell who are all present.

Jo. Davis request Cert. Joseph Davis having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Westport Monthly Meeting — Abr.m Shearman Jr and Geo. Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Mo. Meeting. —

M Howland Cert. A certificate on account of marriage to Burlington Monthly Meeting on behalf of Matthew Howland is approved and directed to be signed by the clerk. —

Jno Wests Estate The Committee appointed to audit the accts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West presented the following report: "To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment I have examined and settled the account of the Trustees with the estate of John West, and find a balance due them of ninety one 39/100 dollars. — It is however proper to state that there is now due the Trustees for rent uncollected for last year One hundred dollars When this is received there will be a balance in their hands of eight 61/100 dolls.

On behalf of the Committee
Abr.m Parker

New Bedford 7mo 28, 1842

Which was read and accepted as was also the following report from the Trustees of Said Estate shewing the disposition that has been made of the funds of the Trust — since they have been under their care. Viz

"It may not be unacceptable to the Monthly Meeting to know what the Trustees to John Wests Estate have done during the time they have been appointed which is now ten years Viz They have received from said Estate the sum of $ 1835.18

They have in the same time paid out for buildings and repairs — — — 1189.05

They have likewise made donations to 86 persons agreeably to the tenor of the will the sum of — 737.52

1926.57

EXTRACTS
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,
From the 12th to the 16th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1842.

The Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School under the care of this Meeting, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to superintend the various concerns of the Boarding School, again report, That they have endeavored during the past year to discharge the important duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of scholars during the year, has been seventy-seven, and during the last term, one hundred. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has been preserved.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue acceptably to occupy the station of Superintendents. Samuel Austin and Joseph W. Aldrich are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich, Elizabeth H. Pope and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'. In this arrangement provision is made for Emmeline Aldrich to be absent during most of the present term. George F. Read continues to act as book-keeper and teacher of Languages. Charles F. Coffin, jun. Rebecca Chipman and Annabella King have each been employed one term during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded the expenditures by about 1,600 dollars. Some improvements have been made on the premises and buildings, and others are now in progress, and as much remains to be done which we deem important for the interests of the Institution, we have not thought it best at this time to propose any change in the prices of admission from those of last year, viz: $30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; $45 for those who are not members of Society, one or both of whose parents are members, and $50 for members of other Yearly Meetings.—Books and Stationary to continue to be furnished as at present. We herewith forward a copy of the Superintendent's account for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

The charitable fund will support, for the present year, fourteen scholars, one term each, (there having been received since our last report, a balance of income heretofore due this fund,) and Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their applications for this privilege in season for the meeting of the Sub-Committee at Providence, the 4th of 10th month next.

Our late friend Moses Brown having in his will bequeathed to this Institution 5000 dollars, to be appropriated in whole or in part to the purchase of real estate adjoining the School premises, the Committee have in conformity therewith purchased two tracts of land, of about ten acres each, at a cost of about the sum above named; a part of which has been paid out of the income of the common fund, the special bequest not being available for this purpose, at the present time.

An examination of the scholars in the presence of a Committee of our number has taken place at the close of each term, and the evidence we have received of the fidelity of the Teachers and the general diligence and orderly deportment of the Scholars has been satisfactory and encouraging to us—and we feel that we have cause gratefully to acknowledge that He, from whom proceedeth all our blessings, has been pleased to regard this Institution, and to own the concern of Friends in its establishment and continued progress.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th month 6th, 1842.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th mo. 31. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5th mo. 1st, 1843.]

1 Mo 1842 "This statement gives a balance in favour of the Trustees agreeably to the Auditors report of $91.39 to meet this balance there is now due from one of the Tenants $100.—

New Bedford 1 Mo 28. 1842— On behalf of the Trustees
Geo. Howland"

homas Ellis

A removal certificate was received from the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke on behalf of Thomas Ellis a minor but it appearing that he does not attend our meetings the Clerk was directed to return it to said Monthly Meeting with this information.

The following communication from our last Quarterly Meeting was received by which it appears that our proportion of the sum necessary to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is one hundred thirty two dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting.—

Minute of Quarterly Mtg.

" At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held 1 Mo 7, 1842 It was concluded to raise four hundred dollars for the service of the meeting the ensuing year which our several Monthly Meetings were requested to forward to the Treas. of this Meeting in the following proportions: viz.

Sandwich	14%	$56.—
Pembroke	4%	16.—
Nantucket	20%	80.—
Dartmouth	17%	68.—
Westport	12%	48.—
New Bedford	33%	132.—
		400.—

From the minutes of said Meeting
Geo. W. Baker, Clk."

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee and also an Epistolary Communication from the same meeting to its subordinate meetings and members were received and read at this time to our satisfaction.

7mo 1842 John Howland, Sands Wing, Geo. W. Baker and Amaziah Delano are appointed to forward to the Committee of the Providence Boarding School the names of such children as may appear entitled to the priviledges of the charitable fund of that School. –

Mary F & E. F. Hussey denied — We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary F and Elizabeth F. Hussey who have joined another religious society. – We also unite

Ruth Cowen denied — with them in denying the same right to Ruth Cowen who has also joined herself to another religious society.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

8mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 25, 1842 –
Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Daniel Potter — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Ali D Wolf who are all present. –

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Davis is approved and directed to be signed by the clerk.

Cert. recd Nathan Bowerman & family — A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Nathan Bowerman, his wife Hannah and their children Avis, Joshua & Seth was accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting. –

Jno. S. Praley — The Committee appointed in the 5th month last to visit John S Praley at the the request of the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich presented the following report; viz

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited John S. Praley and find that he justifies his deviations and likewise manifests no desire to be retained a member of the Society of Friends. We think further labour from us will be unavailing and submit the case to the Monthly Meeting.

New Bedford 8mo 25, 1842 — Benj. Swift
Timothy Akin

which being considered was accepted and the Clerk was directed to forward the report to that Monthly Meeting together with a copy of this minute.

8mo 1842 The Overseers of New Bedford ~~Monthly~~ Preparative Meeting inform that Edward Hussey has been neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings on which account labour has been extended and has of latter time become united in membership with another Society; with which he appears satisfied and manifests a preference for their meetings:— Job Eddy and Reuben Russell are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting

Complaint E. Hussey

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting also inform that Stephen P. Haskins has been for a long time neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings on which account labour has been extended without the desired result and has of latter time become so far united with another denomination as to partake of water baptism:— Joseph Davis and Giles E. Stanton are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting.—

Complaint S. P. Haskins

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Reby A. White formerly Taber who has married contrary to discipline with one who is not a member.

Reby A. White denied

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

9mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 22 1842 Representatives from New Bedford Geo. Howland and Wm. Penn Howland — Longplain Sands Wing and Joseph W. Davis who are all present.—

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st. 2d. & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint George Howland, Sands Wing & Timothy Akin

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Zeno Kelley has been for a considerable time past neglectful in the attendance of our religious meetings on which account labour has been extended; and has recently married in a manner contrary to the Discipline of our Society with one who is not a member:— Philip

Complaint Z. Kelley

4mo 1842 Anthony and John Howland are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting

Complaint Jos. Bowerman The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting also inform, that Joseph Bowerman has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and has become so far united with another Society as to partake of water Baptism In an interview had with him on this account he expressed himself fully satisfied with the choice he had made.

He has recently married in a manner contrary to the Discipline of our Society with one who is not a member:— Perry Russell and Job Eddy are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting

Ed. Hussey denied The Committee appointed last month to visit Edward Hussey presented the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Your Committee in the case of Edward Hussey report that we have had an opportunity with him but do not find him in a state of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deviations from the good order of our Society and are united in judgment that our labor will not be further useful in his case, which we submit to the meeting.

Job Eddy
Reuben Russell

New Bedford 4mo 1842

Which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Edmund Gardner is named to inform him hereof.—

Anna Cates visit Our beloved friend Anna Cates of Vassalborough Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory minute of the concurrence of her friends with her present religious engagements. Her company and religious labours have been satisfactory to us

Our friends Edmund Cates, Levi Gardner and Eliza Gardner of Vassalboro Monthly Meeting companions to our friend Anna Cates also attended meeting in

9mo 1842 which their company has been acceptable and the Clerk is directed to furnish them respectively with copies of these minutes. —

Wm Macy The following communication was received from the Monthly Meeting of New York by which it appears that Wm Macy a minor son of Miriam H. P. Macy therein named and now residing at Nantucket is still a member of this meeting. — Abm Shearman Jr and Wm C. Taber are appointed to prepare a removal certificate on his behalf and report to a future meeting.

At the Monthly Meeting of Friends held in New York the 3d of 8th month 1842 —

The Clerk was directed to forward a copy of the following minute to New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

In 2d month 1837 a Certificate of removal was presented to this Meeting for Miriam H. P. Macy and her minor son William from New Bedford Monthly Meeting which was transmitted by minute to Chesterfield Monthly Meeting New Jersey to which they had removed. They subsequently returned to this City and brought the certificate with them and it was placed in the hands of our Committee on certificates. Not long afterwards the mother deceased and the son being taken to Nantucket to reside with his relatives the certificate was not offered to the meeting for acceptance. Search has recently been made for the certificate for the purpose of returning it to the Meeting by which it was issued, but it cannot be found, and is supposed to be lost.

Extracted from the Minutes
Wm F. Mott
Correspondent
Wm P. Birdsall Clerk

[illegible] Overseers app'd Francis Taber, Saml Taber, Abm Shearman Jr Perry Russell, Abm Davis, Amaziah Delano and Seth C. Thiller are reappointed overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment —

Wm Tallman, John Howland, Elisha Thornton

9mo 1842 Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, George W Baker

Overseers Poor and Philip Anthony are reappointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

We are informed that circumstances have prevented the attendance of Susan R Howland at this time for the purpose of laing her intentions of marriage with Samuel B. Parsons before this meeting it is therefore concluded at the request of her father, with the concurrence of the womens meeting to adjourn this meeting to the close of the meeting for worship to be held in this house on fifth day next the 29th Inst. for the purpose of receiving their said declarations. –

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

Adjournment 9mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held by adjournment 9mo 29, 1842

The Representatives were all present but one

Samuel B. Parsons and Susan R. Howland appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and are referred to our next Monthly Meeting for an answer.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10mo At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 27, 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy and William Gifford — Longplain, Gideon Wood & Wm R. Taber who are all present. –

Edward Gove's Visit Our esteemed friend Edward Gove of Seabrook Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute of the concurrence of his friends with his present religious engagements. His company and religious services have been acceptable to us. – As has also been the company of his companion David Chase a member of the same Monthly Meeting. – The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively.

A certificate on account of marriage from New-York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel B Parsons is accepted. –

10th mo 1842 Samuel P. Parsons and Susan R. Howland having at

S. P. Parsons & S. R. Howland married an adjournment of our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage and having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of Society and George W. Baker and John Howland are appointed to have the oversight thereof, and report to our next monthly meeting. -

Complaint A. G. Congdon The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Arnold G. Congdon has for a considerable time past neglected the attendance of our religious meetings on which account labour has been extended and has recently married in a manner contrary to the discipline of our Society with one who is not a member_ Benjamin Swift and [illegible] Chew are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting. -

J. G. Bowerman denied The Committee appointed last month to visit Joseph Bowerman presented the following report._ viz

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have had an opportunity with Joseph Bowerman He professed to be satisfied with the course he had taken and manifested no desire to retain his right of membership Hence it appeared to us he was not in a state of mind to make friends satisfaction and believing further ~~xxx~~ labour from us will not be useful we submit the case to the judgement of the meeting

Perry Russell
New Bedford 10th mo 7th 1842
Job Eddy

which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Perry Russell is named to inform him thereof.

Eliza Hiller rec'd We unite with the Womens Meeting in granting the request of Eliza Hiller to become a member of our religious Society. -

Wm. H. Macy removed A removal certificate to Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm. Henry Macy a minor is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

10 mo 1842. Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis returned to this

Ruth Davis returns minute — Meeting a certificate furnished her in the 5th month last to pay a religious visit to some of the meetings within the limits of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and also presented a minute from Providence Monthly Meeting expressive of their concurrence with her company and religious services. She also informed us that she had been enabled to perform the duty assigned her to the peace and satisfaction of her own mind:— which is acceptable to this meeting.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except One.

Jas Wing — The following communication was received from Dartmo. Monthly Meeting and no objection appearing to prevent James Wing's application from being complied with the clerk is directed to give this information to that meeting

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting Wm C. Taber, Clerk

Dear friends

We have come to the conclusion to receive James Wing into membership with us if New Bedford Monthly Meeting shall have no objection (he having been denied the right of membership by that meeting as we believe) and the clerk is directed to give that meeting this information requesting their answer."

From the minutes of Dartmo. Mo. Meeting of friends held 26th of 10th month 1842 Isaac K. Gifford Clerk

11 mo 1842 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 mo 24, 1842

Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman & Geo. H Hussey — Longplain Seth C. Fuller & Sands Wing who are all present:

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st, 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Seth C. Fuller Wm R.

1 Mo 1842 Taber, Barnabas Taber & Reuben Russell. —

Rochester Meeting Continued

The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting was united with and the Meetings are accordingly continued another year as heretofore held under the care of a committee.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Report Rochester Committee

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings held at Rochester under the care of this Meeting report, that most of their number have as way has opened for it attended to their appointment by sitting with the few Friends there; and on conferring to-gether are united in judgment that it may be well to continue said meetings for another year as it ~~has been~~ is now held under the care of a Committee.

On behalf of the Comm.

New Bedford 1 Mo 18, 1842 —

Saml. Taber
Phebe T. Swift

The same committee are continued on this service another year or till another appointment and are requested to report in the 11th month next. —

Names of Rochester Committee

Names of Committee Francis Taber, Reuben Russell, Abraham Shearman Jr., Sands Wing, Abraham Davis Joseph Davis Barnabas Taber Wm. Tallman, Benjamin Swift, Amaziah Delano, John R. Davis, John Howland George Howland, George W. Baker, Wm. R. Taber Jos. Eddy, William C. Taber)

Stephen P. Haskins denied

The Committee appointed in the 8th month last to visit Stephen P. Haskins presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Joseph Howland is named to inform him thereof.

"To the Monthly Meeting

According to our appointment we have visited [illegible]

11mo 1842 S. Perkins on account of his neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and frequenting those of another Society. He manifested no desire to retain his right of membership with us. He has joined that Society and married contrary to our discipline.

Feeling clear as regards further labour in the case we submit it to the judgment of the meeting.

Giles E. Stanton
New Bedford 11mo 24th 1842 Jos. Davis

Cert rec. Geo. W. Baker. A removal certificate from Baltimore Monthly Meeting on behalf of Geo. W. Baker & a minor is accepted.

The friends appointed last month to have the oversight of the marriage of Samuel R. Parsons and Susan R. Howland report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.-

The friend appointed to inform Joseph Bowerman of the minute of disownment in his case report, that he has been informed.-

Committee in case of Thomas Ellis The following communication being received from Pembroke Monthly Meeting requesting our care in the case of Thomas Ellis we appoint John Howland & Job Eddy to visit him and report to a future meeting.

"To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford

Dear friends

Communication Pembroke [illegible] I am directed by Pembroke Monthly Meeting to inform you that they have received the certificate returned by you in behalf of Thomas Ellis and that said Meeting request you to deal with him on their behalf as circumstances in the case may require

On behalf of Pembroke Monthly Meeting held 9mo 20th 1842

Edwd P. Little, Clerk

Copy Wm C. Taber, Clerk

At New Bedford Mo. Meeting held 12mo 22 1847 –

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner and Thos Akin — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and Joseph W Davis who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended. —

Stephen Howland Complaint

The Overseers of Longplain preparative Meeting inform that Stephen Howland has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Josiah Holmes Jr and William R. Tucker are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Thomas Otis

The Committee appointed last month to visit Thomas Otis presented the following report which being considered was accepted and the Clerk was directed to inform Pembroke Mo. Meeting of the result of our labour in the case.

The friend named to inform Stephen Petaskins of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has been informed.

Committee to settle with the Treasurer

Geo. W Baker and John Howland are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, to ascertain what sum is necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer – to report to our next monthly meeting.

Susan H. Parsons removal cert.

We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Susan H. Parsons.

The London general Epistle of the present year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

Report in the case of Thomas Otis omitted above

To the Monthly Meeting

Report in case of Thomas Otis

The Committee appointed to visit Thomas Otis in consequence of his having neglected the attendance of our religious meetings report that we have had an opportunity with him. He appears to justify himself in the course he is pursuing and does not expect to again attend our meetings and we are united in judgment that further labour from us will not be useful in his case Dartmouth 12mo 20 1847 Signed Jos Eddy

1mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 26, 1843
Representatives from New Bedford, Rufus Shearman & Giles E. Stanton — Longplain, Wm R. Taber & John Wood who are all present. —

Clerk & Ass.t app.d The time for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed having expired William C. Taber is reappointed Clerk and Geo. W. Baker Assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment

$900. reported The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer presented the following report which being considered was accepted and in compliance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of nine hundred dollars
Treas.r appointed and William C Taber is appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or till another appointment

Report

Auditors report. We have this day examined the accounts of William C. Taber. Treasurer of New Bedford Monthly Meeting ~~Monthly Meeting~~ and find them correct. They show a balance due the Treasurer of forty two dollars and seventy one cents. —

We would recommend that nine hundred dollars be raised for the service of the meeting the ensuing year and propose William C. Taber as Treasurer.

Signed John Howland
New Bedford 1mo 25. 1843 Geo. W. Baker

Committee to receive Subscriptions, Elisha Thornton, Chas. R. Tucker Wm Gifford Gideon Wood, Elnathan E. Delano, Matthew Howland & Cornelius Macomber are appointed to receive Subscriptions for the above sum and present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished. —

Phebe Prior denied We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Phebe Prior who has united herself with another religious Society

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

2mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 23 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift & Wm. Penn Howland — Longplain Sands Wing & Elnathan E. Delano who are all present.—

Cert. recd J. Loring & family

A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Jonathan Loring, his wife Louisa P. Loring and their two minor children Jonathan Emerson and Edward Palmer is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Arnold J. Congdon disownd

The Committee appointed in the 10th month last to visit Arnold J. Congdon presented the following report which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Timothy Akin is named to inform him hereof.—

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

According to our appointment we have visited Arnold J. Congdon on account of his deviations from the order of our Society and find that he so far justifies his proceedings as to give us no encouragement of attending our meetings for the future and we think further service from us will be unavailing and submit the case to the Monthly Meeting. —

Benjamin Swift
Timothy Akin

2mo 23, 1843

Committee on Funerals appointed

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following report which was accepted and the friends now under appointment with the addition of Rufus Shearman and John Wood are continued on that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment and they are requested to report in the 2d month next.—

The names of the Committee are Barnabas Taber, William

2mo 1843 Tallman, Joseph Davis, Geo. W. Baker Joseph Taber Benjamin Swift, George Howland, Wm C Taber, Abm Davis, Thomas H. Howland, Sands Wing, Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Andw Lovell, Seth C. Hiller Josiah Holmes 2d, Wm R. Taber, Geo. Howland 2d Richard Davis, Charles R. Tucker and Edward W Howland)

Report.

Report Committee on Funerals

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report that they have extended an oversight to funerals in all cases where the care of friends has been requested. No change has taken place in our burial grounds in regard to grave stones since our last report; and we believe the necessary care has been taken respecting the interment in our grounds of persons not members of our Society.

New Bedford 2mo 23, 1843
On behalf of the Committee
Geo. W. Baker

Cert. recd Anna Davis

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Westport Monthly Meeting on behalf of Anna Davis wife of Joseph Davis.

Sarah Davis denied

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Sarah Davis who has joined another religious Society.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

3mo 1843

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 23 1843 Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Wm Gifford — Longplain Seth C. Hiller and Thomas Wood who are all present.—

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives and Saml Taber, Job Eddy and Geo. W Davis are appointed to that service.—

The friend named to inform Arnold G. Congdon of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him.—

o 1843

1 Share B.C. Bank Stock bequeathed the Society by Amy Greene

We are informed that by the last will of our late friend Amy Greene one share of the capital stock of the Bedford Commercial Bank is bequeathed to this Monthly Meeting which mark of regard and good will from a valued friend is accepted and the overseers of this Meeting are requested to receive the transfer of the stock and give the Executor a receipt therefor. — And the Treasurer is hereby authorised to receive the dividends on behalf of this Meeting.

Cert. recd Hannah Allen

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Hannah Allen. —

Hannah Russell denied

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Hannah Russell who has joined another religious society. —

Susan Knowles recd

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Susan Knowles wife of Daniel Knowles into membership with us.

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting. —

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

11mo 1843

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 27. 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Timothy Allen and Charles R. Tucker — Longplain Richard Davis & Seth C. Hiller who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Complaint Jer Brownell

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Jeremiah Brownell has been neglectful in the attendance of our meetings on which account some labour has been extended and has recently married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member. — Wm Tallman and George W. Baker are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting. —

Cert. recd P. L. Howland

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Burlington Monthly Meeting on behalf of

4 mo 1843 Rachel S Howland wife of Matthew Howland.—

The Overseers inform that they have received a certificate of one share of the Stock of the Bedford Coml Bank from the Executor of the last will of Amy Greene on behalf of this meeting.—

Committee to assist the General School Committee app^d

"The recommendation of the Yearly Meeting in 1825 that Monthly Meetings should name Committees to assist the general School Committee in carrying out its views with reference to the admission of Children to the Boarding School being called up for consideration this Meeting united with the concern and Josiah Holmes 2d, Amaziah Delano, Wm R. Taber, Abm. Davis, Wm C Taber, Geo. W Baker and Richard Davis are appointed a Committee in connection with the members of the General School Committee within our limits to whom friends desirous of sending Children to the School are requested to make seasonable application.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

5 mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 mo 25. 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy & Wm P. Howland – Longplain Cornelius Macomber & Thomas H. Howland who are all present.

Cert. rec^d Z Fealey

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Zaccheus Fealey a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Emily Rotch denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Emily Rotch late Morgan who has married out of the order of our Society.—

The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers receipt for nine hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

6 mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 22. 18

Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford & Timothy Allen — Longplain Amaziah Delano and Cornelius Macomber who are all present.

6mo 1843

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives.

Job Eddy, Barnabas Taber John Howland and Thomas Wood are appointed Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Z Kelly denied — The Committee appointed in the 9th month last to visit Zeno Kelly presented the following report, which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm P. Howland is named to inform him of it.—

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee in the case of Zeno Kelly report that we visited him soon after our appointment and altho he did not manifest a disposition to make satisfaction for his deviations we concluded as he was about to leave for the South to spend the winter that we would wait untill his return hoping that his views might change — but we find since his return that they are the same and that he does not manifest a disposition to make satisfaction for his deviations.

We submit the case to the meeting

New Bedford 6mo 22, 1843

John Howland
Philip Anthony

Rachel Jones Stephen Jones 2d visit — Our beloved friend Rachel W. Jones of China Mo. Meeting attended this Meeting with a minute expressing the unity of her friends with her present religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. As has also been the company of her husband Stephen Jones 2d who accompanies her with the concurrence of his Monthly Meeting. The Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively

6mo 1843 The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Metg presented the following complaint against Benjamin T.

Benjn Jenney denied Jenney which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Jonathan Taber is named to inform him thereof.

The Overseers inform that Benjamin T. Jenney has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not in profession with us; and they believe it to be their duty further to state that there is evidence in the case of want of continency before marriage

5mo 18. 1843 Copy Wm C Taber Clerk

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7mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 27 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman and Joseph Kempton — Long Plain Sands Wing & Gideon Wood who are all present.—

Cert. recd Geo Hussey & family A removal certificate from New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Geo. Hussey & family is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

The friends named last month to inform Zeno Kelly and Benjn T. Jenney of their being denied the right of membership report that they have been informed

Report Boardg School Com. An extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The Committee appointed in the Fourth Month last to assist the General School Committee are requested to forward to the sub-committee of the Providence Boarding School the names of such children within our limits as are entitled to the priviledge of the charitable fund of that School

Our proportion Yy. Mg. $132 The following communication from our last Quarterly Meeting was received and read from which it appears

EXTRACT

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 11th to the 17th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1843.

THE Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read; and the Committee were encouraged to persevere in their efforts for the right education of the children and youth of the Society, under a persuasion that a blessing will attend their faithful labours herein; and the Report being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the duties confided to them in superintending the various concerns of the Institution. The average number of scholars during the year, has been eighty, and during the winter term, one hundred and nine. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the time of the vacations, and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue to fill acceptably the station of Superintendents. Jonathan L. Slocum and Samuel Austin are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'. Charles F. Coffin, jun. is engaged to take charge of the accounts, and to have the care of the Boys out of school hours. George F. Read, Joseph W. Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Pope have severally been employed as Teachers during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been settled, by which it appears that the receipts of the School during the past year, have been $11,280 48/100; its expenditures $12,305 51/100, a part of which was derived from the funds on hand at the close of the last year. This amount includes the sum of $3,116 57/100, that has been appropriated to repairs and improvements; especially in erecting a building for a wash-house, and in making a substantial wall around a part of the Farm. For details we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith presented.

We would propose that the price for board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz. $30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; $45, for children who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members of society, and $50 for those of other Yearly Meetings. Books and Stationary being furnished, as at present. Arrangements are made for giving instruction in the Latin and Greek Languages, to the Boys, and in the French, to the Girls, when their parents desire it, for which we propose, that the additional sum of $5 per term, should be paid.

The income of the Charitable Fund for the next year, it is estimated, will support twelve scholars, one term each, and Monthly Meetings are particularly desired to forward their applications in season for the meeting of the sub-committee, at the School, 3d of

10th month next. As this is the last meeting of the Committee previous to the commencement of the winter term, it is necessary that applications should be seasonably forwarded in order to avoid disappointment.

The original design of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of the Boarding School being to provide for the religious, guarded education of the youth of our Society, it has ever been a prominent concern with the Committee to promote this truly desirable end; and they are encouraged and comforted in believing that there are many, in different parts of this Yearly Meeting, who have found in this Institution the means of obtaining a useful education, in good degree free from the contaminating influences of the world. In order to preserve it a select and safe School for our children, we feel it to be very important that the careful guards which from time to time have been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in relation to the admission of scholars, should be faithfully maintained; and we think it right at this time to revive some of these regulations, and to solicit Friends strictly to observe them.

First. Every Monthly Meeting is desired to have a Committee specially appointed for the purpose of granting certificates to all children, both male and female, whom they may consider suitable to enter the School; and parents are requested in every case, when proposing to send a child to the school, to make seasonable application to such Committee, in order to obtain their certificate.

Second. No male scholar, over fourteen years of age, can enter the School without previously obtaining permission so to do, from the Sub-Committee, who meet on 3d day before the first 5th day, in every month; and a certificate from the Monthly Meeting's Committee must be produced in these as well as in other cases.

Third. It is particularly requested that Committees in granting certificates, will exercise a care that children should bring no clothing to the School unsuitable to be worn on account of plainness; and that they give evidence of a disposition to conform to the rules of the School, and to demean themselves in an orderly and consistent manner; which should be expressed in the certificate.

Fourth. No scholar can enter the School for a less time than one term, without the consent of the Sub-Committee; and when, under peculiar circumstances, it may be deemed proper to admit a child after the term has commenced, it is desired that he will continue in the School until the ensuing vacation.

The faithful observance in this Institution of our well known and important testimonies as to plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, continues to claim our unabated attention; and we earnestly desire that the importance thereof may be duly impressed upon the minds of the children, before leaving their homes, and that they may be encouraged in no respect to deviate therefrom, and thus wound themselves, and bring reproach upon our profession. In a Circular first issued in 1835, and revived in 1839, copies of which were transmitted to the different Monthly Meetings, some directions were proposed as to what constituted a suitable attire for scholars; to which we desire again to refer Friends who are intending to to send their children to the School.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 5th, 1843.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th month 30th. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 4th month 29th, 1844.]

7mo 1843 that our proportion of the sum required for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is $132.– which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting

Apportionment Quarterly Meetg. At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Nantucket 6th of 7th Month 1843 It was concluded to raise for the service of the meeting the ensuing year four hundred dollars and that it be apportioned as follows viz

Sandwich Mo. Meetg	14 per cent
Pembroke	4 "
Nantucket	20 "
Dartmouth	18 "
Westport	11 "
New Bedford	33 "

New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion is $132.–

from the minutes of said meeting
Geo. M. Baker Clerk

ort. rec'd atience Delano We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Dartmouth Mo. Meeting on behalf of Patience Delano wife of Silas Delano

hebe Morse rec'd We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Phebe Morse wife of Alfred Morse into membership with us.–

irginia R. Gerrish denied We also unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Virginia R Gerrish late Thornton who has married contrary to the order of our Society.

Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

8mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 24, 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber & Geo. M. Eddy — Longplain Nehe D Wolf & Eleathan E. Delano who are all present but one.

S. Howland continued in membership The Committee appointed to visit Henry S. Howland presented the following report and acknowledgment which being read and considered were with the concurrence of the Womens meeting accepted and he is

8 mo 1843 accordingly retained in membership with us and Joseph Davis is named to inform him hereof.-

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Henry S. Howland on the subject of his marriage out of the order of our Society. He seemed very desirous to make Friends satisfaction for his deviation and we are united in the belief, that it will be safe to retain him in membership with us; - which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.-

On behalf of the Committee
Saml. Taber

8 mo 23 1843

H S Howland's Acknowledgment

To the Monthly Meeting

Being sensible of my departure from the good order of Society in proceeding in marriage in a manner contrary to the Discipline I feel willing to express my regret for this deviation and sincerely desire that friends may so far pass it by as to retain me in membership with them.

New Bedford 8 mo 21 1843 Henry S. Howland

Cert recd Louisa Chase

We unite with the Womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Louisa Chase.-

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

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9 mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meetg held 9 mo 28 1843

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Henry S Wood - Longplain Amaziah Delano & Josiah Holmes 2d who are all present

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th. - a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Barnabas Taber, Job Eddy, Wm R. Taber and

4mo 1847 Benjamin Swift are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Complaint I. C. Taber

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Isaac C. Taber has married contrary to the order of our Society, with one who is not in profession with us — Reuben Russell and Wm Tallman are named to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

Anna A. Jenkins visit

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins of Providence Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a minute expressing the unity of her friends with her present religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us — and the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

Lydia Peirce recd

We unite with the Womens meeting in receiving Lydia Peirce into membership with us.

Overseers appointed

Francis Taber Barnabas Taber Abrm Shearman Jr Perry Russell Abrm Davis Amaziah Delano and Seth C Hiller are reappointed Overseers of this Meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Overseers Poor appointed

The friends now under appointment as overseers of the Poor with the exception of our late valued friend Geo W Baker deceased are reappointed with the addition of Wm Gifford to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Their names are Wm Tallman John Howland Elisha Thornton, Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, & [illegible]

Assistant Clerk appd

Charles R. Tucker is appointed Assistant Clerk of this meeting, untill another appointment in place of Geo W Baker deceased.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

10mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 26 1843 the Representatives from New Bedford Abrm Parker and Geo. Howland Jr — Longplain Richard Davis & Thomas Wood who are all present.—

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Benjamin Swift is named on the Committee to visit Jeremiah Brownell to supply the place of Geo. W Baker, deceased.—

Essay issued by Yearly Mtg.

An Essay on some of the prominent doctrines and testimonies of Friends issued by our late Yearly Meeting was received and read at this time to our satisfaction and copies of it were directed to be distributed among our members.

Susan Howland visit families in Swansey Mo Mtg.

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland opened in this meeting a concern that had impressed her mind to pay a religious visit to the families of friends of Swansey Monthly Meeting and also to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting of Rhode-Island which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as Truth may direct she being a minister in unity with us.

Ruth Davis also visit families in Swansey Mo Mtg.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis also laid before this meeting a concern that had impressed her mind for a length of time to visit the families of friends of Swansey Monthly Meeting and also to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting of Rhode-Island which claiming the consideration of this meeting was united with and she left at liberty to proceed therein as Truth may direct she being a minister in unity with us. The Clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing our friends respectively with minutes embracing the substance of the foregoing and sign them on our behalf.—

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

11mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo: 3 1843
Representatives from New Bedford Lemuel Howland & Wm P. Howland — Longplain Walter Davis and Gideon Wilbour who are all present.

The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly by our representatives.

Amaziah Delano Rufus Shearman and Wm Tallman are appointed representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Report of Committee to visit Rochester Mg

The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting was united with and the meetings are accordingly continued another year as heretofore under the care of a Committee.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester; — report; — That several of our number have, as way has opened for it, visited those Meetings; and that on conferring together we feel best satisfied to propose for the consideration of the Monthly Meeting that they should continue to be held for another year as heretofore under the care of a Committee of this Meeting. — On behalf of the Committee

Saml Taber

10mo 26. 1843 Abigail Davis

The same Committee with the exception of our late friend George W. Baker deceased are continued another year or till another appointment with the addition of Elnathan E. Delano and they are requested to report in the eleventh month next.

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11mo 1843 We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Marlborough Monthly Meeting Stark County, Ohio on behalf of Maria Stapp a minor

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her last month to visit the families of friends of Swansey Monthly Meeting and also to attend the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and informed the Meeting that she had been enabled to perform the required service to the satisfaction and peace of her own mind which is acceptable to this meeting

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

12mo 1843 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 28, 1843

Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Potter & Job Eddy — Longplain Abel D Wolf and Gideon Wilbour who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that ~~they~~ all attended.

I C Taber denied The Committee appointed in the 9th month last to visit Isaac C. Taber on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm Tallman is named to inform him hereof. —

To the Monthly Meeting

According to appointment we have visited Isaac C. Taber, he manifested a regard for Friends but does not consider himself to have been a consistent member for some years past and at present does not think he can make any acknowledgment for his departure in marriage that would be satisfactory to friends and does not desire any further delay in the case.

Which we submit to the consideration of the meeting

New Bedford 12mo 28. 1843

Wm Tallman
Reuben Russell

12mo 1843 Geo. F. Stubbs having requested a removal certificate for himself and family to New York Monthly Meeting John Howland and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

William Bradford having applied to be received into membership with us we appoint Joseph Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Complaint Henry Browell The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Henry Browell has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member Richard Davis and Joseph Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meetg.

Charles R. Tucker and John Howland are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain what sum is necessary for the service of the meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend ~~to propose a friends~~ to serve as Treasurer:— to report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 25 1844

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland and Henry T. Wood — Longplain Thomas Wood & Josiah Holmes Jr who are all present. —

Clerks appointed The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk of this meeting having expired Wm C. Taber is reappointed Clerk and Chs R. Tucker assistant clerk for the year ensuing or till another appointment:

Complaint T. A. Howland The overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meetg ~~[illegible]~~ inform that Thomas Allen Howland has for a considerable time past neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and manifests a preference for the meetings of another Society to which he has become united

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T. A. Howland

in membership. Being visited on this account, he expressed himself satisfied with the way he is in and does not desire any further delay in the consideration of the case. He has recently married contrary to the order of our Society with one not in profession with us. ——— Job Eddy and Wm Gifford are appointed to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting.

G. F. Hussey & family removed

A removal certificate directed to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of George F. Hussey & family is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

W Bradford recd

The Committee appointed last month to visit Wm Bradford on account of his application to be received into membership with us presented the following report:— which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly received into membership and Wm Tallman is named to inform him hereof.—

A M Bailey denied

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Ann Maria Baileys.

S. G. Howland denied

The Committee appointed in the 12th mo 1842 to visit Stephen G. Howland presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Elnathan E. Delano is named to inform him hereof.

London Epistle

The London general epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

The friend named to inform Isaac C. Taber of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.—

Treasurers a/c

The Committee appointed last month to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and for other purposes presented the following report which was read and

Mo 1844 accepted and in compliance therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and Wm C. Taber is appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or till another appointment.—

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have examined and settled the accounts of Wm C Taber, Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting and found a balance remaining in his hands of sixty one 33/100 dolls. We think it will be necessary to raise seven hundred fifty dollars for the service of the meeting the ensuing year and would recommend Wm C Taber for Treasurer.

John Howland
New Bedford Mo 18, 1844 Chs R. Tucker

Committee on Collection Matthew Howland Ed. W Howland Wm R Taber Richard Davis, Wm P. Howland. E. E. Delano & Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to receive the subscriptions of Friends to the amo concluded to be raised, and present the Treasurers receipts therefor when accomplished.

Report of Committee in case of Wm Bradford

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

According to our appointment we have visited Wm Bradford on account of his request to become a member of our religious Society to our satisfaction and are united in believing that it may be well to receive him into membership with us. — Which we submit to the judgment of the meeting

Jos. Davis
New Bedford Mo 25 1844 Josiah Holmes Jr

Report of Committee in the case of Stephen G Howland

To the Monthly Meeting

We have visited Stephen G. Howland on account of his deviation in marriage. He seems easy with the course he has taken having embraced views

1mo 1844 not in accordance with the order or principles of Friends. It is in our judgment unnecessary to extend further labour in the case which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Josiah Holmes Jr

Fairhaven 1mo 17 1844 Wm R. Taber

Copy Wm C. Taber, Clerk

2d Mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 22, 1844 Representatives from New Bedford, Wm Gifford and Wm P. Howland — Longplain Robert Brownell and John Wood who are all present.

Complaint T. R. Taber

The Overseers inform thro' New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Thomas R. Taber ~~that Thomas R. Taber~~ has for a considerable time past wholly ceased to attend our religious meetings, manifesting a preference for those of another Society and giving no encouragement of again meeting with us, or desiring any further delay in the notice of the case.— John Howland and Timothy Akin are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

T. A. Howland Denied

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to visit Thomas Allen Howland presented the following report which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm Gifford is named to inform him hereof.

"To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have had an opportunity with Thomas Allen Howland — he appears to be satisfied with the course he has taken and does not manifest a disposition of mind to make Friends satisfaction for his deviations. — Believing that further labour from us will not be useful, we submit the case to the judgment of the Meeting

Job Eddy

New Bedford 2mo 17 1844 Wm Gifford

2mo 1844 The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following report which being considered was accepted and the friends now under appointment are continued on that service, with the exception of our late friend Geo. W. Baker deceased, for the year ensuing or till another appointment - and are requested to report in the 2 mo. next. - (For names of Committee see next page)

Burial Ground Committee

"To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report, that they have given attention to their appointment and some of their number have attended all funerals when the care of Friends has been requested. They have also endeavoured to extend the necessary care in the interment in our grounds of persons not members of our Society: Stones with inscriptions have been placed at the graves of two persons not members of our Society in the ground at New Bedford since our last report and none have been removed to our knowledge. -

Report -

The fence on the north side of the ground at New Bedford has been destroyed by a recent fire, which the Committee are making arrangements to rebuild as soon as the season will permit. -

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 2m 22 1844

Wm Tallman
Barn. Taber

Jer. Brownell denied

The Committee appointed in the 2d & 10th months last to visit Jeremiah Brownell, presented the following report which being considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Wm Tallman is named to inform him hereof.

"To the Monthly Meeting

According to appointment we sought an interview with Jeremiah Brownell which he declined notwithstanding which one of the committee has had some

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2mo 1844 conversation with him on the subject of complaint but did not find encouragement to believe that any further endeavours to labour with him would be useful and are united in judgment that it is best to submit the case to the consideration of the meeting

New Bedford 2mo 22 1844

Wm Tallman
Benjamin Swift

A copy of a minute of Rhode Island ~~Monthly~~ Quarterly Meeting held at Providence 2mo 1, 1844 was received and read at this time stating that the company and religious services of our esteemed friend Susan Howland during her late religious visit had been truly acceptable to them which is satisfactory &c

Committee on Collection report

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to receive subscriptions for the service of this Meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers receipt for seven hundred fifty dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

The friends named to inform Wm Bradford and S. G. Howland of the conclusions of this meeting in their respective cases report that they have been informed. -

Q. Meetg Stock

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that meeting.

Recorder & Assistants appd

Charles R Tucker is appointed Recorder and Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistent Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment. -

Names of Committee on Burial Grounds

.(Names of Committee on Burial Grounds are Barnd Taber Wm Tallman, Joseph Davis, Joseph Taber, Benj: Swift George Howland, Wm C Taber Geo Howland 2, Chs R Tucker Edwd W Howland, Rufus Shearman, Abrm Davis Thomas H Howland Sands Wing Richard Davis Amaziah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Archd Dwolf Wm R. Taber John Wood, Seth C. Hiller & Josiah Holmes 2)

3 Mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3d Mo 28th 1844.

The representatives named to this meeting are, from New Bedford Rufus Shearman, and Jos Taber, Longplain Elnathan E Delano, and Wm R Taber—

The clerk of this meeting being absent—Chas R Tucker is appointed clerk for the day.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers, from which a Summary has been compiled, and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, by our representatives, to which service we appoint Barnabas Taber, Amaziah Delano, William R Taber and Josiah Holmes jr—

B Swift 2d removed A removal certificate to Sandwich Mo Meeting, on behalf of Benjamin Swift 2d is approved with the concurrence of the womens Meeting

Complaint T Bowerman The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Thomas Bowerman has for a considerable time past wholly ceased to attend our religious meetings, and has become united in membership with another society—and that in opportunities had with him on this account, he appears to be fully satisfied with the way that he is in— and gives no encouragement of again meeting with us. Job Eddy and Reuben Russell are appointed to visit him on these accounts, and report to a future meeting.

Wing Howland requests a removal certificate for himself and family to Sandwich Monthly Meeting—we appoint Abm Davis and Richard Davis to unite with the committee that may be appointed by the womens Meeting, in extending the necessary care in the case, and report at a future meeting.

The committee appointed last month to visit Thomas R Taber, have made the following report viz—

3 mo 1844 To the Monthly Meeting -

According to appointment, we have

Report in case of Th.s R Taber

visited Thomas R Taber, on account of his deviations from the order of our Society - Although he manifested a regard for Friends, he appears to have a decided preference for the meetings of another Society; and wishes to put us to no further trouble in his case - Beleiving that further labour from us will be unavailing, we submit the case to the Meeting -

New Bedford 3 m 28th 1844. John Howland
Timothy Akin

Tho's R Taber denied

Which being read, was accepted, and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting, we deny him the right of Membership, and John Howland is named to inform him hereof, and to report to our Next Meeting -

Susan Howland Visit to New York

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland spread before this Meeting, that she had for some time apprehended it to be her duty, to attend the approaching Yearly Meeting of New York, and to visit such Meetings and families in the limits of Westbury Quarterly Meeting as way might open for in the truth - which after a time of solid deliberation of friends, was feelingly united with, and she set at liberty to persue her prospects as best Wisdom may direct - She being a minister in Unity with us, and the clerk is requested to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting, in furnishing her with a certificate embracing the substance of this minute and sign it on our behalf -

Frances Ricketson denied

We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of Membership to Frances Ricketson late Thornton, who has married contrary to the order of our society, with one who is not in profession with us -

3mo 1844 We also unite with the womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Susan H Brayton —

The friend named last month to inform Jeremiah Brownell of the conclusion of this Meeting, reports that he has attended to that service —

Chas. R Tucker clerk for the day.

4mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 25 1844 Representatives from New Bedford Francis Taber and Geo. Howland — Longplain Richard Davis and Joseph W Davis; two of whom are absent. The absence of one occasioned by sickness in his family.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Chs. Taber & D. E. Knowls

Our esteemed friends Charles Taber and David E. Knowls both of Farnham Monthly Meeting and Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials of the unity of their friends with their ministry and present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been truly acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens Meeting in furnishing them respectively with minutes embracing the substance of this.

Paul Southwick

Our esteemed friend Paul Southwick companion to Charles Taber also attended this meeting in which his company has been acceptable to us.

Arnold G. Tripp having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting. Sands Wing and Wm R. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed last month to visit

4 m.o 1844

T Bowman denied

Thomas Bowman presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Joseph Howland is named to inform him hereof

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

Report

Your committee in the case of Thomas Bowman report, that they have had an opportunity with him. He seems to be satisfied with the course he has taken in joining another religious society and does not appear to be in a situation of mind to make friends satisfaction; therefore we are united in judgment that our labour will not be useful in this case which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

Job Eddy
New Bedford 4 m.o 21, 1844 Reuben Russell

Board'g School Committee

Josiah Holmes 2d, Amaziah Delano, Wm R Taber, Abm Davis, Wm C Taber, Richard Davis, Chs R. Tucker, Matthew Howland, & Wm P. Howland are appointed a committee in connection with the members of the general School Committee within our limits to grant certificates to all children whom they may consider suitable to enter the Boarding School at Providence, and parents are requested to make seasonable application to them in order to obtain the necessary certificates

Ruth Davis

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 10th month last to pay a religious visit to the families of friends of Swansey Monthly Meeting and also to attend the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island and presented a minute from the latter meeting stating that her company and religious services had been acceptable to them. She also informed that she had been enabled to perform the service required of her to the peace of her own mind: Which is acceptable to this meeting

4mo 1844 The friend named last month to inform Thomas R. Taber of the minute of denial made in his case reports that he has informed him.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

5mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 21. 1844 Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Geo. Howland Jr — Longplain Seth C. Potter & Josiah Holmes Jr who are all present.

Complaint F. T. Howland

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Frederick T. Howland has been laboured with by them as well as by other friends on account of his frequent disturbance of our religious meetings by communications therein, burthensome to us and inconsistent with the doctrines we profess; and that he gives no encouragement of submitting to the advice of Friends — Joseph Davis Ab. Eddy, Josiah Holmes Jr and Wm P. Howland are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

Complaint R. Rotch

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting also inform that Rodman Rotch who according to discipline has a right of membership with us has not attended our religious meetings and has married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society. His present place of residence being within the limits of Concord Monthly Meeting Delaware County Pennsylvania the Clerk was directed to forward a copy of this minute to that meeting with a request that they would treat with him on our behalf and acquaint us with the result.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of James D. Storie and his wife

5th mo 1844
Jas D Hoxie & wife Cert. recd.

Deborah P. Hoxie is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Arnold G Tripp

A certificate on account of marriage directed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Arnold G. Tripp is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

A M Jones visit

Our beloved friend Abigail M Jones of Dover Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a certificate of the unity of her friends with her ministry and present religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. As

James Carney & H Morrell

has also been the company of her Companions James Carney of Dover Monthly Meeting and Hannah Morrell of Berwick Monthly Meeting who are also with us at this time and who also presented satisfactory minutes of the unity of their friends. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of this as it relates to each respectively.

A removal certificate being requested for Olaff Salmqueen a minor Sands Wing and Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.—

Wing Howland & wife removed

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wing Howland and his wife Rebecca is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The friends named at a previous meeting to inform Thomas Allen Howland and Thomas Bowerman of the minutes of denial made in their respective cases report that they have been informed.

M W Howland removed

We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary Wing Howland.

Wm C Taber Clerk

6mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 27, 1844

Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy & Rufus Shearman — Longplain Archi Dwelly & Seth C. Hiller, who are all present but one for whose absence a satisfactory reason is assigned.

Queries The queries were read in this meeting ~~a six meeting~~ with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th, a summary of which is directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Complaint Jos. Baily . We are informed thro' New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Joseph Baily has married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society with one not in profession with us — John Howland & Philip Anthony are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.—

O. Palmgreen Removed . A removal certificate directed to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Olaff Palmgreen a minor is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

P. D. Slade family cert. recd. . A removal certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Peter D Slade & family is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

S. S. Coggeshall recd. We unite with the womens meeting in receiving Sarah S. Coggeshall into membership with us.

Rep. to Q. Mtg. John Howland, Abrm Shearman Jr, Daniel Taber and Francis Taber are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Copy Wm C. Taber, Clerk

7mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 25 1844. Representatives from New Bedford Benjamin Swift Jr & Wm Penn Howland — Longplain Elnathan E. Delano & Gardy Wing who are all present.

7mo 1844 Our beloved friend John Pease of Great Britain

John Pease visit

attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements - his company and gospel labours have been acceptable and edifying to us

S Hilles

Our friend Samuel Hilles of Wilmington Monthly Meeting Delaware companion to John Pease also attended this meeting in which his company has been acceptable to us - and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing him with a copy of this minute.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Quarterly Mtg Stock

The following communication from our last Quarterly Meeting was received and read from which it appears that our proportion of the Sum necessary to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is one hundred forty eight 50/100 dolls which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

— Copy —

Apportionment

" The Representatives report that they have conferred together and are united in a proposition to raise four hundred fifty dolls. for the ensuing year and that it be apportioned the same as last year

viz. Sandwich 14 per cent
Pembroke 4 "
Nantucket 20 - "
Dartmouth 18 "
Westport - 11 "
New Bedford 33 "

Which is acceptable to this meeting and our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportions of that sum to our Treasurer

From the minutes of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Nantucket 7mo 4th 1844 Wm C Taber Clerk "

EXTRACT

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 16th to the 21st, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1844.

THE Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to us, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year to discharge the services entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the various concerns of the Boarding School. The average number of scholars has been 55. Meetings have been regularly held in the house, and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing are engaged for the present year as Superintendents; and Charles Atherton and William Nicholson as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary Atherton and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School from all sources has been $\$9,356\frac{30}{100}$, its expenditures $\$9,202\frac{56}{100}$, and that there is a balance in the Treasury of $\$5,220\frac{25}{100}$, the devise of our late friend Moses Brown of $5,000, for the purchase of real estate, having been received during the past year; a part of which is due for the purchase effected agreeably to the will of the donor. For details of the receipts and expenses of the School, we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith forwarded.

We would propose that the price for board and tuition be continued the same as last year: viz. $30 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $45 for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and $50 for those of other Yearly Meetings. Books and stationary being furnished as at present. We also think it safe to propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar for the next winter term, free of expense, and Monthly Meetings are requested to exercise care in the selection of the scholars, to conform to the conditions of the will of the principal donor to the charitable fund, viz. that it be applied "for the schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings."

The Schools have been examined at the close of each term by a Committee appointed for that purpose; and from the last report of the visiting Committee we make the following extract: viz. "In the examination of the scholars, satisfactory evidence was given of their having made good proficiency in the studies in which they had been engaged. The knowledge and acquaintance manifested in some of the most important branches of education were such as to warrant the conclusion that there had been a very commendable degree of application on the part of the scholars, and faithfulness and assiduity on that of the teachers. The general appearance of the school was satisfactory, and the deportment of the scholars orderly, inducing a belief that usefulness continues to result from the Institution."

In review of the past year the Committee are brought to feel regret that the number of scholars has been less than in many former years. The object of the Yearly Meeting in establishing the School, that the children of Friends might receive a religious, guarded education, free from the contaminating influences of the world, may we believe be in a good degree attained by placing our children in this Institution. We therefore desire affectionately to encourage our fellow-members to avail themselves of the advantages to be derived from this School, that thus the concern and liberality of our departed Friends, who were instrumental in establishing and endowing it, and who are now gathered from works to rewards, may be to the benefit of the children of the present and succeeding day.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

THOS. HOWLAND, Clerk at this time.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 3d, 1844.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day 10th month 28th. The next Summer term, on Second-day. 4th month 28th. 1845.

1844 " New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion is one hundred forty eight 50/100 dolls"

inute Y. M. The Extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read;- and as it appears that each Monthly Meeting will have the priviledge of sending one child to the School for the ensuing winter term free of expence the Committee appointed in the Fourth Month last to grant certificates of admission to the Boarding School are requested to take the subject into consideration and to designate a suitable child to enjoy this priviledge

E. Brayton denied We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Elizabeth Brayton.

Attest- Wm. C. Taber, Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo. 22 1844. Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Kempton and Giles E. Stanton — Longplain Thomas Wood and Richard Davis who are all present.

Concord Mo. Mo. The following communication was received from the Monthly Meeting of Concord, Delaware County Pennsylvania in reply to our request to deal with Rodman Rotch on account of his deviation in marriage.— which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and the Clerk is directed to request that Monthly Meeting to give him this information and of his right of appeal.

At Concord Monthly Meeting held 2d of 8th Mo. 1844

The Committee appointed in the case of Rodman Rotch report that they had an opportunity

8mo 1844 with him on the occasion when he acknowledged that he had accomplished his marriage by the assistance of an hireling minister and that he did not appear qualified to condemn his deviation which being considered it is the judgment of this meeting that further labour is unnessary. The Clerk is directed to furnish the meeting of New Bedfor with a copy of this minute signed on behalf of this meeting."

John Pennington Clerk

C. Howland The Case of Cornelius Howland being again brought under consideration it was concluded to release the former Committee from further care in the case and to appoint Francis Taber & Joseph Davis to treat with him on account of his deviation in marriag and report to a future meeting.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

9mo 1844 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 26. 1844 Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland and Abraham Barker — Longplain Robert Brownell and Josiah Holmes 2d who are all present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives

Rep. to Q. Meetg. John Howland, Josiah Holmes 2d and Rufus Sherman are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

C Howland denied The Committee appointed last month to visit Cornelius Howland presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and Joseph Davis is named to inform him

4mo 1844 hereof —

To the Monthly Meeting

Report According to our appointment we have had an interview with Cornelius Howland on account of his having married contrary to the order of our religious Society. and although he expressed the regard which he felt for the principles of his education yet the state of his mind is not such as the discipline requires in order to his being reinstated into membership with us. Believing further labour to be unnecessary we submit the case to the judgment of the meeting.

Francis Taber
Joseph Davis

New Bedford 4mo 26 1844.

F. S. Howland denied The Committee appointed in the 5th month last to visit Frederick S. Howland presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and William P. Howland is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report We have had several opportunities with Frederick S. Howland on account of his expressing sentiments in our public meetings at variance with those held by us as a people; which sentiments he still adheres to and wishes ~~and wishes~~ to be no longer considered a member of our religious Society.

Concluding that further labour in the case will not be useful we submit it to the judgment of the meeting

Joseph Davis
Job Eddy
Wm P. Howland

New Bedford 4mo 26 1844

I unite with the above although I have had but one opportunity with the individual } Joseph Holmes Jr.

9mo 1844
S. Howland returns minute

Our esteemed friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the third month last to attend the Yearly Meeting of New York the Quarterly Meeting of Westbury, and to pay a religious visit to such of the Meetings and families of Friends within the limits of the latter meeting as way might open for. She also presented minutes from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders of New York and the Quarterly Meeting of Westbury stating that her company had been acceptable to them, that she had been favoured to complete the service in view and that her gospel labours had been satisfactory and edifying: and she informed us that she had been enabled to perform the service greatly to the peace of her own mind; which is satisfactory to this meeting.

Copy Wm C. Taber Clerk

10th Mo 1844.

At New Bedford Mo Meeting held 10mo 24th 1844.

The representatives named to this meeting are from New Bedford, Reuben Russell, Daniel Butler - Longplain, Abeli Dewolf. Thomas Wood, who are all present -

The clerk of this meeting being absent, Chas R Tucker, is appointed clerk for the day -

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended -

The friends named last Month to inform Cornelius Howland and Fredrick T Howland the conclusion of this Meeting, in their cases respectively report that they have attended to that service -

D Knowles recd.

The committee appointed in the 8th Mo 1840. to visit Daniel Knowles, on acct of his request to be received into Membership - made the following report, which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens Meeting, he is received into membership with us, and Sands Wing is named to inform him hereof -

10 Mo 1844

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to our appointment, we have visited Daniel Knowles on account of his request to become a member of our religious Society, he appears sincere in his request, and is a frequent attender of our meetings— We think it may be safe to receive him a member of our Society— which we submit to the Meeting—

Report

Fairhaven 10 Mo 23d 1844. Francis Taber
Abraham Davis
Sands Wing

Overseers appd

The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, we reappoint Francis Taber, Barnabus Taber, Abm Shearman, Abm Davis, Amariah Delano, and Seth C Hiller, Overseers of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment. Perry Russell, who has filled the Station of an Overseer in this meeting for a number of years very acceptabley is now released from reappointment, by his request on acct of ill health.—

Chas R Tucker clerk, for the day

Mo 1844

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 Mo 18 1844

Representatives from New Bedford Job Eddy and Henry T. Wood — Longplain Gideon Wood and Richard Davis who are all present.

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th) a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives.

Complaint
Wm Grinnell

The Overseers inform that Wm K Grinnell who according to discipline has a right of membership with us has removed to reside within the limits of Scipio Monthly Meeting in the State of New York and that he did not while with us attend our religious

11mo 1844 meetings. The Clerk is directed to forward this information to that meeting and request their care in the case on our behalf and to inform us of the result.

Rochester Meetgs. The Committee appointed to visit the Meetings at Rochester presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting and the Meetings are accordingly continued another year under the care of a Committee. And the Committee now under appointment with the addition of Richard Davis and Charles R. Tucker are continued on that service the ensuing year or till another appointment and they are requested to report in the eleventh month next unless it should appear to them advisable to make it earlier.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings at Rochester report that most of their number have as way has opened for it, given some attention to their appointment by visiting said meetings — and on conferring together are united in judgment that it may be well to continue them as now held under the care of a Committee

On behalf of the Committee
Abm Shearman Jr
Abigail Davis

10mo 1844

Names of Committee (Names of the Committee (Francis Taber) Reuben Russell Abraham Shearman Jr Sands Wing, Abm Davis Joseph Davis, Barnabas Taber, Wm Tallman, Benj Swift Amaziah Delano John A Davis John Howland, George Howland, Wm R Taber, (Rob Eddy) Wm C Taber, Elnathan E Delano & Richard Davis Charles R. Tucker.)

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(nine of the above friends deceased previous to 12mo 1853)

11mo 1844
J L Barlow
application

James L. Barlow having applied to be received into membership with us Abm Davis, Isaac Barney, Wm Tallman & Wm C. Taber are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting.

H Russell
family
Cert. recd

A removal certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting on behalf of Henry Russell his wife Mary and their daughter Mary Starbuck is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

J. T. Almy
A. E. Almy
Copy of
minute

A copy of a minute was received from Easton Monthly Meeting stating that James T. Almy and Ann Eddy Almy who at present reside within our limits are members of that meeting.

By a communication from Concord Monthly Meeting Penna we learn that Rodman [illegible] has been informed of the decision of this meeting in his case.

G Howland Jr
R B Howland

We are informed that Geo. Howland Jr and Robert B. Howland intend visiting Europe on account of the health of the latter and a certificate of their right of membership being requested on their behalf Abm Shearman Jr is appointed to unite with the Clerk in furnishing them with such certificates and the Clerk is directed to sign them on our behalf.

The friend appointed last month to inform Daniel Knowles of his being received into membership reports that he has informed him.

Rep. to
Q. Mg

Saml Taber Elnathan C. Delano, Joseph Davis & Elisha Thornton are appointed representatives to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Copy Wm C. Taber Clerk

12mo 1844

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 26, 1844.

Representatives from New Bedford Reuben Russell & Joseph Taber — Longplain Thomas Wood and Wm R. Taber who are all present.

Comm: from Meetg for Sufferings

A communication from our Meeting for Sufferings on the subject of the division which has taken place in Society within the limits of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting was received and read and the care taken by that meeting in the case is satisfactory to us.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Change of hour of meetg at N Bedford

By a minute of New Bedford Preparative Meeting we are informed that they have concluded to change the hour of their First day morning meeting from 10 to half past 10 O clock should it meet the approbation of this meeting — which proposition was united with, the women concurring herein, and the time is changed accordingly.

Overseers of Poor

The friends now under appointment as Overseers of the Poor are continued on that service with the addition of [illegible] Wing for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Com: to settle with Treasurer

John Howland and Philip Anthony are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain what sum is necessary for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer — to report at our next Monthly Meeting.

C Akin cert. recd

We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charity Akin.

Wm C. Taber, Clerk

1mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 23
1845. Representatives from New Bedford Wm
Gifford & Elisha Thornton – Longplain Cornelius
Macomber & Josiah Holmes 2d who are all present.

Clerks appd The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed having expired William C Taber is reappointed Clerk and Charles R Tucker assistant Clerk for the year ensuing or till another appointment

L Barlow recd The Committee appointed to visit James L Barlow presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly received into membership with us and Charles R. Tucker is named to inform him thereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report Agreeably to appointment we have visited James L Barlow on account of his application to be received into membership to a good degree of satisfaction he appears to be convinced of our principles and concerned to live in accordance with them and we are united in judgment that it would be safe to receive him into membership with us. Which we submit to the mtg.

Signed William Tallman
Joseph Davis
Abraham Davis
New Bedford 1m 23 1845 Wm C. Taber

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts and for other purposes presented the following report which being considered was accepted and in accordance therewith it is concluded to raise the sum of seven hundred dollars for the service

1 mo 1845 of this meeting the ensuing year and William C Taber is reappointed Treasurer for the year ensuing year or till another appointment.

To the Monthly Meeting

Treasurer app^d We have this day examined and settled the accounts of William C Taber Treasurer and find a balance in his hands of fifty six 91/100 dollars and recommend that the sum of seven hundred dollars be raised for the service of the meeting the ensuing year.- We also propose the reappointment of William C Taber for treasurer

John Howland
New Bedford 1 mo 18, 1845 Philip Anthony

Committee on Collection Charles R. Tucker, Wm P. Howland, Cornelius Macomber, Elnathan E Delano, Wm R Taber, Josiah Holmes 2d & Richard Davis are appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends for the sum of seven hundred dollars and to present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.

D C Gifford Cert: rec^d A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of David C Gifford a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting

Attest Wm C. Taber Clerk

2 mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2 mo 27 1845

Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Sherman & Joseph Taber — Longplain Gideon Wood & Abel D. Wolf who are all present.

S Taylor Jr visit Our esteemed friend Samuel Taylor Jr of Sydney Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory testimonial of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements. His company and religious services have been very acceptable to us, and the Clerk is

2mo 1845 directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing him with a copy of this minute.

Complaint
E W Howland

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Edward W Howland has married in a manner contrary to the Discipline of our Society with a former wifes sister. — Barnabas Taber and Abm Shearman Jr are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

G Wood

Gideon Wood requests a certificate on account of marriage to Swansey Monthly Meeting — Sands Wing and Wm R. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Jn Hoskins
ert. recd

A removal certificate from the Monthly Meeting for the West Division of Cornwall in Great Britain on behalf of John Hoskins is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The friend named to inform James L Barrow of his being received into membership reports that he has been informed.

Q. M. Stock

We are informed that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meetg.

Recorder
ass. Recs
appd

Charles R. Tucker is reappointed Recorder, and Wm R. Taber & Richard Davis assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

3mo 1845

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3d month 27. 1845.

Representatives from New Bedford Henry Russell and Wm P Howland — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr and John Wood —

The clerk of this meeting being absent Chas R Tucker is appointed clerk for the day.-

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative meetings, a summary of which are directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint, Chas R Tucker Elnathan E Delano and Wm R Taber.-

P. M. Palmgreen

A removal certificate being requested on behalf of Peter M Palmgreen a minor to Providence Monthly Meeting, William R Taber & Gideon Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case, and report to our next Monthly Meeting.—

G. Wood

A certificate directed to Swansey Mo meeting on behalf of Gideon Wood on account of marriage is approved and directed to be signed by the clerk.

Committee on Funerals &c

The committee having the oversight of Funerals, and care of Burial Grounds, presented the following report. viz

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the superintendance of Funerals, and care of Burial Grounds report, that they have given attention to thier appointment and some of thier number have attended all funerals that have come to thier knowledge when the care of Friends was requested. With respect to monuments there has been no change in the grounds at Longplain nor Acushnet. At New Bedford stones with inscriptions have been placed at one grave

up

3mo 1845 since our last report.

On behalf of the committee

Barnabus Taber

New Bedford 3mo 22 1845. William Tallman

— Which being read, was considered & accepted, and the committee now under appointment with the exception of Edwd H Howland and our late friend Seth C Hiller deceased, are continued on that service for the ensuing year or till another appointment. = names of the committee — Barnd Taber, William Tallman, Joseph Davis, Joseph Taber, Benja Swift, Geo Howland, Wm C Taber, George Howland Jr, Chas R Tucker, Rufus Shearman, Abm Davis Thos H Howland, Sands Wing, Richard Davis, Amariah Delano, Shadrach Davis, Sheli Dewolf, Wm R Taber, John Wood & Josiah Holmes Jr.

Collection made — The amount proposed to be collected in the first month for the service of this meeting, has been received and paid to the Treasurer.

Chas R Tucker Clerk for the day

4mo 1845 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 21 1845. — Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Wm Gifford — Longplain Sands Wing & Elnathan E Delano who are all present but one.

Complaint P. Tripp — The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Pardon Tripp has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Josiah Holmes Jr and Sands Wing are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

P M Palmgreen removed — A removal certificate to Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Peter M Palmgreen a minor is approved

4th mo 1845 with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

B F Hardy & S S Coggeshall — Benjn F. Hardy and Sarah S. Coggeshall appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage. John Howland and Charles R. Tucker are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Benjn F Hardys clearness to proceed therein and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

R W Russell Cert. recd — A removal certificate from Scipio Monthly Meeting on behalf of Robert Wing Russell a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting

The following communication was received from Scipio Monthly Meeting in reply to a request on our part to that Meeting to deal with Wm R Grinnell who resides within their limits on account of his neglect of attending our religious meetings while with us, which being considered and it appearing that further care in the case would not be useful and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny him the right of membership and the clerk is directed to request Scipio Monthly Meeting to inform him of our decision in the case.

W R Grinnell denied

Information forwarded

" The communication from New Bedford Monthly Meeting requesting this Meetings care in the case of Wm R Grinnell has been attended to and the following is a report from a committee of this meeting which is approved a copy of which I was directed to forward to New Bedford Monthly Meeting."

" We have had an interview with Wm R Grinnell and find that he does not unite in sentiment with Friends in relation to some of our doctrines and testimonies and has very seldom attended our meetings and does not appear to be in a suitable state of mind to make satisfaction."

Signed by the Committee

4 mo 1845 "Signed on behalf and by direction of Scipio Monthly Meeting held 19th of 3rd month 1845"

Matthew Parker, Clerk

Humphrey Howland
Correspondent

B. School Committee Contin'd The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to act in connection with the general School Committee within our limits in granting certificates to Children whom they may consider suitable to attend the Boarding School at Providence are continued on that service for another year or till another appointment.

Attest Wm C. Taber, Clerk

5 mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5 mo 22 1845 representatives from New Bedford Timothy Akin & Elisha Thornton — Longplain Wm R Taber & Richard Davis who are all present.

B. F. Hardy & S. Coggeshall married Benjamin F Hardy and Sarah S. Coggeshall having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed herein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and John Howland & Philip Anthony are named to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

ee Howland acknowledgment rec'd The Committee appointed in the Second month last to visit Edward W Howland presented the following report and acknowledgment which being read and considered and having the concurrence of the womens meeting were accepted and he is accordingly retained in membership with us and Barnabas Taber is named to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting.

Ruth Davis Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis opened in this meeting a concern that had for some time impressed her mind to attend Rhode Island Monthly Meeting and also

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5th mo 1845 to make a religious visit to the families of friends constituting it — Which being considered was united with and she left at liberty to proceed herein as Truth may open the way — she being a minister in unity with us.

The clerk was directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute. attest Wm C Taber Clerk

6mo: At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 26th 1845 Representatives from New Bedford Wm P Howland & Joseph Taber — Longplain Thomas Wood & Amaziah Delano who are all present.

R. Mott. visit C. Douglass Our esteemed friends Richard Mott of Purchase Monthly Meeting, New York and Cornelius Douglas of Vassalborough Monthly Meeting, Maine attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials of the unity of their friends with their ministry and present religious engagements — Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us; and the Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with copies of this minute as it relates to each.

Y. M's Committee Several of the members of a committee appointed at our last Yearly Meeting to visit subordinate meetings and to render them such advice and assistance as they may find necessary, in order to maintain them in their present organization attended this meeting and presented a copy of the minute of their appointment. Their company has been acceptable to us.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives.

Rep. to Qy. Mg. to which service we appoint Rufus Shearman, George Howland, Reuben Russell, Giles E Stanton and

One of the Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Benjamin F. Hardy and Sarah S. Coggeshall reported that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the Recorder. The other member of the Committee was necessarily absent.

The friend named to inform Edward W. Howland of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.

E M Cromwell restored

We unite with the Womens Meeting in restoring Eliza M. Cromwell to membership with us.

Ruth S. Wood Cert. recd

We also unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth S. Wood wife of Gideon Wood.

Attest Wm C Taber, Clerk

Report of Committee in case of E. W. Howland

To the Monthly Meeting

E W Howland report

We have attended to our appointment in the case of Edward W. Howland. He manifested an attachment to the Society and a strong desire to retain his right of membership, in which we believe him to be sincere — and after deliberately considering the circumstances of the case, we have felt a willingness that he should remain under the care of Friends — which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.

Barnabas Taber
Abm Shearman Jr

New Bedford 5th Mo 21, 1845

To the Monthly Meeting

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Dear friends.

Having so far transgressed a rule of Society

cknowledgment

as to join in marriage with one connected by affinity which being contrary to Discipline I feel very desirous

6mo 1845 that Friends would so far pass by my deviation as to retain me a member if they deem it to be consistent signed Edward W. Howland

New Bedford 5mo 14, 1845 #

7mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 24, 1845 Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman & Reuben Russell — Longplain Abeli DWolf & Richard Davis who are all present.

Committee of Qr Mg. Several of the members of a committee appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting to visit subordinate meetings attended this Meeting and presented a copy of the minute of their appointment which was accepted and their company and services have also been acceptable to us.

Secession of a few members Owing to the presence of several persons not members of our religious Society who persisted in remaining in the house notwithstanding they had been earnestly and feelingly requested by the members of the Yearly & Quarterly Meetings Committee in attendance and by divers friends of this meeting to withdraw and leave the Meeting select, the business of the meeting was not proceeded in: and during this suspension several of those persons together with a few of our own members proceeded in an irregular manner to appoint a clerk and assumed to themselves the title of New Bedford Monthly Meeting. They also acknowledged the Yearly and Quarterly Meetings recently established by the Seceders from our religious Society by receiving minutes from those Meetings and after remaining with us about two hours adjourned to meet at another place.

During this interval friends were mostly preserved from any undue excitement altho' unfounded accusations were made against us as a body.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that three of their number attended that meeting:

7m 1845 the absence of the other friends was satisfactorily accounted for.

Quarterly Mtg. Stock — By a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting we are informed that our proportion of the sum necessary to be raised for the service of that Meeting the ensuing year is two hundred thirty one dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit.

H. T. Wood & A. G. Russell — Henry T. Wood and Anna G. Russell appeared in this Meeting and made a declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage: Philip Anthony and Wm T Howland are appointed to make the necessary inquiry relative to Henry T. Woods clearness to proceed therein and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

By a communication from Scipio Monthly Mtg New York we learn that Wm R Grinnell has been informed of his being disowned the right of membership in our Society.

A removal certificate being requested on behalf of Daniel D. Wolf to Providence Monthly Meeting we appoint William R Taber & Elnathan E Delano to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Epistle fm Y. M. G. — An Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting directed to the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings and individual members of Society was read in this Meeting to our satisfaction and directed to be distributed.

attest Wm C Taber Clerk

8m 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 28, 1845

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Abraham Barker — Longplain Cornelius Macomb & John Wood who are all present.

G. Abbot & T. Baker — Geo. Abbot and Ruth T. Baker appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of

8mo 1845 taking each other in marriage.

H T Wood & A G Russell married

Henry T. Wood and Anna G Russell having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of surviving parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and Abraham Shearman Jr and John Howland are named to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Comtee to appoint Overseers

Joseph Davis, Reuben Russell, Rufus Shearman Wm P Howland, Wm Gifford, Elnathan E Delano, Josiah Holmes Jr & Sands Wing are appointed to consider of and report to our next Monthly Meeting the names of such friends as they may deem suitable to serve this meeting as overseers.

Attest Wm C. Taber Clerk

Epistle

Epistle from Y. Y. Mg.

to the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings within the limits of New England Yearly Meeting and the individual members of the Society of Friends

Beloved Friends:

Assembled together at our accustomed time and place for the transaction of the affairs of our religious Society in New England with sincere desires for the health and prosperity of all our brethren and sisters in the ever blessed Truth, and the promotion and advancement of the cause of our Redeemer in the earth, circumstances have arisen with which we deem it essential to make you acquainted.

For a long series of years it pleased the Great Head of the Church to watch over us and permit us to meet together in love and to enable us to result the various important matters which came before us to mutual comfort and edification: we have not

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been without our trials but strength was afforded to meet them. We were in great measure spared the afflictions which fell upon Friends in various sections of our Society on this continent from unsoundness in the fundamental doctrines of our holy religion, producing divisions with them, whilst we continued a united and increasing people.

Many of you are nevertheless sensible that for years past a few individuals in some places have given concern to the rightly exercised among us, that of later times the spirit by which they were influenced has shewn itself more conspicuously and led to separation in one of our quarters. Upon our first gathering together at this time several of those ~~that~~ who had thus caused grief to Friends appeared and presented an account purporting to be from their Quarterly Meeting, which, with sincere desires that they might have a full opportunity of stating their case, and if needful have the desired relief was referred in the first place to the Representatives in a body, exclusive of those from the Quarterly Meeting from which two accounts were presented / no objection being made to their case being opened in the meeting in its collective capacity should this be subsequently judged best. The persons who claimed to be aggrieved denied the jurisdiction of this committee and with others coming to our afternoon sitting proceeded in what they termed the business of New England Yearly Meeting to the interruption of Friends; remaining in the house till the minute of adjournment was read — Since which they have not been with us but as we are informed assembled in another place, thus effecting the sorrowful work of separation, which had been commenced in Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. During the time alluded to and since, Friends have been mercifully

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favoured to preserve much mental equanimity and becoming order, proceeding in their business we trust, in the wisdom of Truth, and in numbers not fewer than in former years.

It is not for us in this communication to enter into those remote causes which have led to this painful result. They might doubtless be found in a departure from humble lowly waiting upon Christ, and faithfully following the leadings and guidance of his blessed Spirit -: by unwatchfulness in this respect the door has been opened for the accuse of the Brethren to come in. And it may not be wrong to inquire whether there are not herein evidences of a lack of that deep sense of the fallen condition of man, of our need of that redemption which comes by Christ and the value of the means provided for our help. Had those who are now troubling us been grounded in that faith which works by love to the purifying of the heart, would they not have found — as we seek shall we not all find — that necessity for a deep indwelling with the Spirit of Truth, which preserves from such uncalled for and unsanctified proceedings?

Dear friends, we have had, and shall have much to bear; misrepresentation of fact in respect of our disciplinary proceedings; false and utterly unfounded charges of a general unsoundness of doctrine amongst us have been widely circulated; brethren and sisters, whose lives are before us, have been unsparingly traduced.

We have with great unanimity issued a statement which has been deliberately read and considered in both our Men's and Women's Meetings of the facts of the case, and a declaration of our unshaken faith as Christians and as Friends — these document we earnestly recommend to your serious attention. Connect with their perusal let us seek after living aspirations

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to commit our way in well doing unto the Lord.

From the days of our worthy predecessors, George Fox, Robert Barclay, William Penn and others, in every trial of this description which has been permitted Friends in this Country, or our beloved brethren in Great Britain, charges have been freely made, as of false doctrine, misapplied discipline, the rule and influence of station, gifts, talents, wealth and learning — with what truth in past days, their invaluable writings set forth — with no more truth are they now urged.

Man is fallible; but with the sincerity of action which has attended all the movements in this matter, many of you are acquainted, and know full well that the charges are utterly untenable, and proof in these matters impossible; but, affecting as it is, there seems to be a remarkable recklessness in many who have fallen into this snare, as to results.

(During most of two centuries the Yearly Meetings of Friends have, although independent bodies, occupied much common ground, in addition to that of uniting in the same profession of our Christian faith. Ministers recognized in one have been so acknowledged and encouraged to labour in others; the transfer of rights to membership and intermarriage have not been affected by the Yearly Meeting lines.

Regardless of the blessings which those wise provisions of our forefathers have led us to enjoy the movements now made must cripple if not destroy, arrangements fraught with indiscribable benefit, for no defensible, certainly for no adequate end — discord is introduced, tho it may divide between Meetings near and dear friends, and even embitter the tenderest relations of life, and urged onwards with a blind impetuosity as to results, which nothing but the most obvious reasons — as a manifest departure from living faith, or our long cherished testimonies — could justify.

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Instead of Friends and Meetings striving to encourage each other in the faithful maintenance of our religious principles before others, the grand aim with some now appears to be, the detection of things in which some dissonance of views may be discovered, to the sad overlooking of that "Charity which hopeth all things" and the weakening of the Society in that testimony to the love, spirituality purity and simplicity of the gospel which we fully believe has been given us as a people, to bear.

In thus briefly pointing your attention to the trials ~~that~~ which have been permitted to overtake us, it is not our object to introduce you into controversy, or awaken any feelings of irritation towards those through whom the offence has come; but on the contrary we would guard you against it. Controversy, which so generally seeks the weak side, and not unfrequently attacks character, is dangerous to all, and especially to the young. We rarely dwell upon or expose the errors of others, without a secret feeling of self satisfaction, which draws from that which ~~such~~ should be the constant concern of life — a close attention to our own faults — its results upon individuals and bodies, in the evidences of self-exaltation and a judging spirit but too often afforded, ought to warn us against entering upon it, or proceeding one step beyond the clear requir~~ments~~ings of Truth; whilst as to the feelings which ought to pervade our hearts towards our erring friends, a deep sorrow for them in their bewildered state, and a prayerful desire for their restoration should ever predominate. Some of them, we doubt not, have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge; that knowledge, which in a humble abiding before him, we believe He will continue to dispense to the seeking soul. Not intangled in the right hand or the left hand errors which have sorrowful

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at different times found place and produced Schisms in our Society let us strive to keep a straight forward course walking in the footsteps of our forefathers as they followed the Lamb.

We believe, dear friends, that it is incumbent upon us, in much tenderness to spread before you a caution in relation to the multiplied publications that are now very freely circulated within our limits and elsewhere "reflecting darkly on Friends" and to revive the admonition of our Discipline, "that no such book pamphlet or paper, be written, printed, published or privately handed about, by any under our profession." Various publications to which we refer, containing statements, which are not supported by facts and into which the names of many worthy friends are very freely introduced or they in some way designated, and unjustly represented, may surely be regarded in the fullest sense pernicious; and as such, they should not be circulated or read.

It has been deeply affecting to us to learn, that under the influence of that delusive spirit to which we ~~[illegible]~~ have referred, some have accepted the contents of such books and received written or verbal statements from interested parties, as of almost equal validity with those contained in publications issued by regularly constituted bodies or valuable Friends, a description of document, to which implicit credence has heretofore been given — and under such false impressions have imbibed and urged individual sentiments, against the solid judgment of the body — proceedings totally at variance with that into which the truth leads.

The advice contained in an ancient Epistle put forth by George Whitehead, Stephen Crisp and others in the year 1666, is applicable to our day, and we urge it upon your serious attention. "If any who are out of the unity with the body of Friends, print or cause to be printed or published in writing any thing, which is not of service for the

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Truth, but tends to the reproach and scandal of faithful friends, or to beget or uphold division or faction; then we do warn and charge all Friends that love the Truth, as they desire it may prosper and be kept clear, to beware and ~~keep clear~~ take heed of having any hand in printing, publishing or spreading such books or writings".

Beloved Brethren and Sisters — We commend you to the Lord for safety — we fervently crave your preservation, and that you may witness a unity one with another, in the true fellowship and love of the gospel.

In this meeting various epistles from our Friends of other Yearly Meetings have been read to our comfort, and we have felt it to be a peculiar blessing and cause for thankfulness that we have been favoured with the company of divers concerned and qualified Friends from different Yearly Meetings whose sympathy, unity and advice have been truly acceptable, comforting and instructive to us. This Meeting has been closely united and we have been enabled to travel together in sweet and harmonious labour for the cause of Truth.

We are now about to separate, under a humbling sense of the love and mercy of the adorable Head, that he has condescended to be near, and as we trust, to direct us in the steps that we should take in his millitant-Church. We bid you affectionately farewell.

May you be favoured to possess your souls in patience, enduring all things for Christs sake — that through watching unto prayer, you may be enabled to perceive the subtle snares of the adversary of souls, and in the silence of all flesh, distinguish between the voice of of the true Shepherd and that of the Stranger. To this unslumbering Shepherd we commend you. He still careth for the flock and as they hearken to and obey his voice, will, blessed be his name, keep them in his safe

8 mo 1845 Epistle enclosure now and forever.— Amen.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Friends, in New England, held by adjournments from the 15th to the 23d inclusive of the sixth month, 1845

Signed Abraham Shearman Jr Clerk
Hannah Gould L Clerk

9 mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo 25 1845 Representatives from New Bedford Timothy Akin and Joseph Kempton — Longplain Gideon Wood and Richard Davis who are all present.

Geo. Abbot Cert. A Certificate on account of marriage from Salem Monthly Meeting, New Jersey on behalf of George Abbott is accepted.

G. Abbot & R. S. Baker married George Abbott and Ruth S. Baker having at our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they appearing clear of all others and having consent of surviving parents are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and Charles R. Tucker and Wm C. Taber are named to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight the marriage of Henry T. Wood and Anna G. Russell report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate was delivered to the Recorder.

H. Russell Henry Russell having requested a removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of himself, wife and minor daughter Mary Starbuck — John Howland and George Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

A removal certificate from St. Albans Monthly

9 mo. 1845 Meeting on behalf of Harrison Magoon and
H. Magoon & wife Cert. recd his wife Eunice H. is accepted with the concurrence
of the womens meeting.

Minute of Y. M.s An extract from the minutes of our last
Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding
School Committee was received and read — and
it appearing that the priviledge of sending one child
free of expense for one term is still continued to the
Monthly Meetings. the Committee now under appointment
by this meeting to furnish Children with certificates to
attend that School are requested to take the subject
into consideration and to designate a suitable child to
enjoy the priviledge. -

R Davis returns minute Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis returned to
this meeting a minute furnished her in the 5th month
last to attend Rhode Island Monthly Meeting and to
make a religious visit to the families of Friends constituting
it — She also presented a minute from that Monthly
Meeting stating that her company and religious services
had been acceptable to them — and she also informed
us that she had been enabled to perform the service to
the peace of her own mind — which is ~~acceptable~~ satisfactory to
this meeting. —

Correspondents A minute of our last Yearly Meeting appointing
correspondents in all the Monthly Meetings within
the limits of the Yearly Meeting was read and directed
to be recorded. -

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with
answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d &
Rep to Q. M.g 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives
to which service we appoint Abraham Shearman Jr
Josiah Holmes Jr, John Howland & Wm F Howland.

The Committee appointed in the 12th mo. 1843

9mo 1845 to visit Henry H. Brownell on account of his deviation
H H Brownell in marriage presented the following report which was accepted
denied and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Elnathan E [illegible] is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have attended to our appointment in the case
Report of Henry H Brownell and do not find him in a situation to give friends satisfaction for his deviation and do not think that further labor will be useful as he expressed he thought it best for friends to make a minute against him.

Joseph Taber
New Bedford 9mo 25, 1845 Richard Davis

Rhoda Kelley We unite with the Womens Meeting in accept-
Cert. recd. ing a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Rhoda Kelley wife of [illegible] Kelley and their minor children Eliza & Israel Kelley.

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly
Overseers appd. Meeting to bring forward the names of friends to serve this meeting as overseers proposed the following friends which were accepted by this meeting and they are accordingly named to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment; viz Abrm Sherman Jr Paul Taber John Howland, Wm P. Howland, Amaziah Delano, Abrm Davis and Josiah Holmes Jr.

--Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

Commn: Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England 6mo 1845
from the
Y.Y.Mg A Secession from our Religious Society having to some extent taken place within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, and divers meetings set up, bearing the name of, and claiming to be meetings of the Society of Friends, we have deemed it a prudent measure (though we trust not actually called for in many of our meetings, or

6th 1845 account of any disaffection towards Society within their borders; in order to relieve our Friends abroad from any embarrassment in the acceptance of Certificates and other papers from New England, to appoint Correspondents in all our Monthly Meetings, whose duty it shall be to sign all Certificates and other papers issued by those Meetings respectively in addition to the usual signing of the Clerk. And any one of whom, within the limits of their respective Quarterly Meetings may sign any document issued by such Quarterly Meeting.

In case of removal by death or otherwise, of any of the correspondents now appointed, Quarterly Meetings are authorised to supply any vacancies that may occur till the time of our next Yearly Meeting.

From the Minutes of said Meeting

Abm Shearman Jr Cle

Correspondents

Correspondents of New England Yearly Meeting
appointed Sixth month 1845

Rhode Island Quarterly Mg

	Correspondents	Post office address
Rhode Island Mo. Mg –	Jethro S. Mitchell	Newport R.I.
Greenwich " "	Rowland Greene —	Fiskville "
Swansey – " "	Oliver Earle —	Swansey Mass.
Providence " "	Samuel Boyd Tobey	Providence R.I.

Salem Quarterly Meeting

Salem Mo. Mg —	Nathan Breed —	Lynn Mass.
Seabrook " "	Moses Huntington Jr	Amesbury "
Weare " "	Abijah Johnson –	Weare N.H.

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting

Sandwich Mo. Mg	Mattiah Gifford	West Falmouth Mas
Pembroke " "	Calvin Shepherd —	Pembroke "
Nantucket " "	Cromwell Barnard —	Nantucket "
Dartmouth " "	George Almy —	No. Dartm. P.O. "
Westport " "	Samuel Slade	Westport "
New Bedford " "	John Howland —	New Bedford "

Falmouth Quarterly Meetg.

Falmouth Mo. Mg	John W. Minot —	Westbrook Stephens Plains P.O. Me.
Durham " "	Thomas Jones	South Durham "
Windham " "	Nathan Pope	Windham "

Limington Mo. Mtg
Wingate Frost
Limington Maine

EXTRACT

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 15th to the 23d, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1845.

The Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the government and superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to us, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. Extract from the Minutes of said Meeting.

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A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavored during the past year, to discharge the duties entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the concerns of the Boarding School. The average number of scholars has been eighty. Meetings have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing, who have acceptably served the Institution as Superintendents for several years past, having requested to be released at the close of the last summer term, we engaged our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson to take their places, and they entered upon the duties of that station in the 10th month last. Charles Atherton, William Nicholson and Edward Hoag are engaged as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary Atherton, Gertrude E. Whittier, and Elizabeth Prosser, in the Girls'. Elizabeth J. Aldrich has been employed as Teacher in the Girls' school the past year.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School from all sources, the past year, has been $9,380 40-100, and its expenditures $11,134 47-100, including $1,542 59-100, paid for land purchased from a donation, and in accordance with the will of our late friend Moses Brown. And there is now a balance in the Treasury of $4,469 4-100.

We would propose that the price of board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz: $30 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $45 for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and $50 for those of other Yearly Meetings.—Books and Stationery being furnished as at present. We also deem it safe to propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense, for one term; and that they may occupy this privilege either during the next winter term, or during the summer term of *next year*, according to the discretion of the Monthly Meeting; but that if the Monthly Meeting desires to occupy the privilege in the summer term, as now proposed, it shall inform the Acting Committee thereof at their meeting in the 10th month, [held on the 7th day thereof.]

The Schools have been examined at the close of each term by a committee appointed for that purpose, and by their reports it appears that they have been generally satisfied with the evidence afforded by the diligence and application of the children to their studies, of their orderly deportment, and of the faithfulness and ability of the Teachers. Instruction continues to be given in the Languages when desired, on the same terms as heretofore, viz: $5 additional for the term.

The object that Friends had in view in the establishment of this Institution, and the lively concern the Society has felt and continues to feel, that the youth among us may have the advantages of a good school, without exposure to those associations which in a greater or less degree tend to alienate their tender minds from the simplicity of our profession, may, we trust, in good degree be realized by placing our children in this Institution. And we would affectionately encourage Friends to be willing to make some sacrifice, if sacrifice be required, to afford those under their care an opportunity to acquire a sound and guarded education.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committe,

JONATHAN L. SLOCUM, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th month 2d, 1845.

[The next Winter term will commence on second-day, 3d of 11th month. The next Summer term on second-day, 5th mo. 4, 1846.]

9mo 1845 Smithfield Quarterly Meeting

		Correspondents	Post Office address
16	Smithfield Mo Mg	Arnold Aldrich	Woonsocket R. I.
88	Uxbridge - -	Benj Wheeler	Northbridge Mass
	Richmond - -	Levi Wheeler	Richmond N.H.
	Bolton - - -	James [illegible] Fry	Bolton Mass

Vassalborough Quarterly Meetg.

Vassalborough Mo Mg	Daniel Taber	Vassalborough Me.
China - -	Stephen Jones Jr	Palermo - "
Unity - -	Joseph Taber	Albion - "

Dover Quarterly Meeting

Dover Mo Meeting	Joseph Tuttle	Dover N.H.
Berwick - -	John D Lang	North Berwick Me.
Sandwich - -	Benjamin Buffum 1847 Benjamin Fry	Centre Sandwich N.H.

Fairfield Quarterly Meeting

Sidney Mo Mg	Samuel Taylor	Fairfield Me.
Litchfield - -	Elijah Pope	Hallowell Cross Roads, Me.
St Albans - -	David Douglas	East St Albans Me.

It is requested in order that certificates from other Yearly Meetings may duly reach the meetings to which they are directed within the limits of this that they be addressed or sent to one of these Friends

10mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 23rd 1845 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford & Rufus Shearman — Longplain Wm B Taber & Robert Rowell who are all present.

The friends named last month to have the oversight of the marriage of George Abbott and Ruth S. Baker report that it was orderly conducted and that the certificate has been recorded.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting, in behalf of Henry Russell, his wife

10mo 1845 H Russell & family removd — and their minor daughter Mary Starbuck is appro with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

G. Howland Cert. recd — We unite with the Womens Meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Gulielma Howland wife of Edward W. Howland.

Attest Wm C Taber, Clerk

11mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo. 27th 1845.

Representatives from New Bedford John Howland & Matthew Howland — Longplain Elnathan E. Delano & Wm R Taber who are all present.

F. T. King & E. S. Taber — Francis T. King and Elizabeth S. Taber appeared in this meeting and made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the first second & tenth a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Rep to Quarterly Mg. — Charles R. Tucker, Joseph Holmes Jr, Reuben Russell & Wm R. Taber are appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

Rochester Committee — The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following report which after having been read was referred to our next Monthly Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report — We your Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester report that most of our number have occasionally ~~visited~~ attended those meetings to a good degree of satisfaction and are united in recommending the Continuance of those meetings another year under the care of a Committee which is submitted to the consideration of the Meeting

Signed Joseph Davis
New Bedford 11mo 21. 1845 Ruth Davis

12 mo 1845 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12 mo 15 1845

Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford and Wm R. Howland — Longplain Sands Wing and John Wood who are all present but one

F. T. King

A Certificate on account of marriage from Baltimore Monthly Meeting on behalf of Francis T. King is accepted.

F. T. King & E. G. Taber married

Francis T. King and Elizabeth G. Taber having in our last Monthly Meeting made a declaration of their intention of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are at liberty to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and George Howland Jr and William R. Howland are named to have the oversight thereof and report at our next Monthly Meeting.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Complaint J. R. Davis 2d

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that John R. Davis 2d has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Thomas Wood and Elnathan E. Delano are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Rochester Committee

The subject of the report of the Rochester Committee & of the appointment of a committee to visit that meeting is again referred to our next Monthly Meetg.

Comn from Meetg for Sufferings

A communication was received from the Meeting for Sufferings requesting information respecting the number of ~~[illegible]~~ Friends belonging to this Monthly Meeting also the number of members who have joined with the Separatists. To meet which request the following statement taken from the records of this Monthly Meeting was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the Clerk of that meeting.

12mo 1845
H H Howland recd

We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Hannah H Howland wife of Wm P. Howland into membership.

M T Congdon denied

We also unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Mary T. Congdon.

Case of difference

Abraham Barker Edmund Gardner, Philip Anthony & Charles R. Tucker are named to advise with and assist the Overseers in a case of difference between two of our members.

Committee on Treasurers acs

Charles R. Tucker & John Howland are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, to ascertain what sum is necessary for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer. — to report at our next Monthly Meeting.

adjd Wm C. Taber Clerk

Statement of number of members & Separatists

A Statement of the number of Members of New-Bedford Monthly Meeting with the number who have Separated from it. (forwarded to the Clerk of the Mtg for Sufferings)

Friends		Separatists	
Adult Males	147	Adult Males	6
Adult females	189	Adult females	6
Children	162	Children	13
Ministers	7	Ministers	none
Elders	6	Elders	One

In the left hand column is given the number of each class previous to the Separation and on the right hand those who have separated from us

The whole number of adult members was 336
Children — 162
498

Separates Adults — 12
Children 13 — 25
Present number of members — 473

mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 22nd 1846. Representatives from New Bedford Elisha Thornton & John Howland — Longplain Josiah Holmes Jr & Richard Davis who are all present.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Francis T. King and Elizabeth B. Taber report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.

Jones visit Our esteemed friend Reuben Jones of Litchfield Mo. Meeting attended this meeting and presented ~~[illegible]~~ a minute of concurrence from his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements — his company and religious services have been acceptable to us: — as has also been the company of his companion Valentine L. Meader who also attended this meeting with a minute from the same Monthly Meeting. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively.

The report of the Rochester Committee was again read and accepted and in complyance with their recommendation the meetings are continued as heretofore under the care of a Committee and the Committee now under appointment with the exception of Francis Taber and Job Eddy are continued on that service untill another appointment and are requested to report in the 11th month next.

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts presented the following report which was read and accepted and in accordance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of eight hundred dollars for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and Wm C. Taber is reappointed Treasurer. Matthew Howland, Richard Davis, Gideon Wood, Charles R. Tucker, Josiah Holmes Jr, Elnathan E. Delano, and

Mo 1846. William Gifford are appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends for this amount and present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.

Our esteemed friends Elizabeth Gove of Seabrook Monthly Meeting and Mary Shove of Swansey Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented satisfactory minutes of concurrence from their respective meetings with their ministry, and present religious engagements;— their company and religious services have been acceptable to us and we informed that our friend Mary Shove has acceptably visited the families of friends in Longplain Preparative Meeting. The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of this as it relates to each.

A removal certificate ~~from~~ to Salem Monthly Meeting New Jersey on behalf of Ruth S. Abbott wife of George Abbott is approved in concurrence with the Womens Meeting.

Report of the ~~[illegible]~~ Committee to settle Treasurers ap

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have examined and settled the accounts of Wm C Taber Treasurer of New Bedford Mo Meeting and find a balance of seventeen & 90/100 dollars remaining in his hands — we would recommend that eight hundred dollars be raised for the use of the meeting the ~~present~~ year and propose Wm C. Taber for Treasurer.

John Howland
Charles R. Tucker

New Bedford 1mo 19 1846

copy Wm C Taber Clerk

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 26, 1846
Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Giles E Stanton — Longplain Daniel Knowles and John Wood who are all present.

The time for which the clerk and assistant clerk

2 mo 1846 of this meeting were appointed having conferred the Representatives proposed Wm C Taber for Clerk and Charles R Tucker for assistant which was united with and they appointed to those services for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to receive Subscriptions for the service of this meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers ~~report~~ receipt for eight hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that George L Wolf has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member. Elnathan E Delano and Wm R Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 7th month last to prepare a removal certificate for Daniel D Wolf report that he has returned to this town and expects to remain here — they are therefore discharged from the appointment.

Charles R Tucker is reappointed Recorder and Wm R Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

m 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3rd mo 26. 1846, Representatives from New Bedford Abraham Barker and Henry T Wood — Longplain Richard Davis and Joseph R Wing who are all present.

The clerk of this Meeting being absent, Chas

over

3 mo. 1846 R Tucker is appointed clerk for the day-

Queries The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings a Summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which Service we appoint Wm P Howland John Howland and Josiah Holmes Jr.

Rep. to Q. Meetg.

Complaint F Taber & others We are informed by the Overseers of ~~our~~ New Bedford Preparative meeting that they have thought it to be their duty to bring to the Notice of Friends, the deeply afflicting circumstance, that Several of our members, who had in various respects identified themselves with those who at the time of our Yearly Meeting in the Sixth month last, organized a seperate meeting, under the name of New-England Yearly meeting,- and withdrew from our monthly meeting in the Seventh month.- of which number were - Francis Taber, Job Eddy, George M Eddy, Francis Taber Jr and George H Barnard - and that Since that time they have continued to hold Seperate Meetings and have wholly abstained from attending with us; and manifest no disposition again to unite with us in religious fellowship - which we submit to the consideration of the Monthly Meeting which subject was feelingly Spoken to by friends, and refered to our next Monthly meeting.-

R. Howland appearances in the ministry approvd. We unite with the womens meeting in approving the public appearances in the ministry of Rhoda Howland Jr - we also unite with them in the approval

E. T. King removed of a removal certificate for Elizabeth T King to Baltimore monthly meeting - and we further unite with them in denying

S. Coffin late Barney, denied the right of membership to Sarah Coffin late Barney for marrying contrary to the order of our society.-

3mo 1846
J. R. Davis

The committee in the case of John R Davis Jr presented the following report and acknowledgement, which being considered was accepted by the meeting and he is accordingly restored to his right of membership, and Richard Davis is appointed to inform him thereof and report to our next Mo meeting

Report of the committee

To the monthly meeting

Dear Friends

Persuant to appointment we have visited John R Davis Jr, he seemed in a frame of mind to make friends satisfaction and expressed a decided preference for friends and hoped that they would forgive his deviation. — which we submit to the Mo meeting. and remain your friends

3o mo 26. 1846 Thomas Wood
Elnathan E Delano

R Davis
acknowl.

To the Monthly meeting

Dear Friends

Having so far deviated from the good order of society as to marry with one who is not a member, I request friends to pass it by, and continue me under their christian care

Fairhaven 3o mo 26. 1846. John R Davis Jr

4mo 1846

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 23
1846 Representatives were from New Bedford Wm Gifford & Wm P Howland — Longplain Josiah Holmes & Elnathan E Delano who are all present.

L Redman
mplaint

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Wm Logan Redman who according to Discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future

4th mo 1846 Abraham Parker and Wm P. Howland are appoin to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Geo Barney Complaint
The Overseers of the same meeting also inform that George Barney who according to Discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future — Wm C Taber and Geo. Howland 2 are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Geo. Wing Cert. recd.
A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of George Wing and family is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.—

E. Haffards received
We unite with the Womens meeting in receiving Eliza Haffards wife of Jonathan Haffards into membership with us

F. Taber & others Complaint
A complaint from the overseers against Francis Taber, Job Eddy, George M Eddy Francis Taber and George F. Barnard referred from our last Monthly Meeting was again brought before us and after a time of solid consideration it was concluded to refer the subject to a committee. And Joseph Davis, Abm. Davis, Reuben Russell, Rufus Shearman, Wm P. Howland, Josiah Holmes 2, John Howland and Chs. R Tucker are appointed to visit them on account of said complaints and report to a future meeting.

S R Grinnell removed
We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meeting, State of New York on behalf of Susan R. Grinne

Cynthia Stetson
We also unite with the Womens meeting in retaining Cynthia Stetson in membership with us.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The friend named to inform John R Davis 2 of the conclusion of the meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.

Overseers of Poor
Wm Tallman, John Howland, Elisha Thornton, Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, Philip

4 Mo 1846 Anthony Wm Gifford & Sands Wing are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Wm C Taber Clerk

5 Mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th Mo 25th 1846 Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman and Geo. Howland Jr — Longplain Daniel Davis & Thomas Wood who are all present but one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

R. Morgan Complaint

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Samuel R. Morgan who according to discipline is entitled to a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future — Matthew Howland & Henry T. Wood are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Bowman application

Francis Bowman having requested to be received into membership with us Josiah Holmes Jr & Rufus Shearman are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting

R Davis

Richard Davis having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting Sands Wing & Thomas Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Mo. Meeting.

Ezra Smith Complaint

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Ezra Smith has for a considerable time past wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future Elnathan E Delano & Wm R Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meetg.

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meetg to visit Wm L Rodman presented the following report which was considered and united with and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right

5mo 1846 of membership and Charles R Tucker is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report case of W L Rodman

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Wm Logan Rodman. He expressed a decided preference for the principles of Friends and entertains a kindly feeling towards the body. He however gave no encouragement of attending our meetings and does not expect to be retained a member; which we submit to the meeting believing that further care from us in the case will be unavailing

Abm Barker
Wm P. Howland

New Bedford 5mo 27 1846

G D Wolf denied

The Committee appointed in the second month last to visit George D Wolf presented the following report which was considered and united with and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Benjamin Swift is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Pursuant to appointment we have visited George D Wolf. He appeared satisfied with the course he had taken and had no desire to retain his right as a member of our religious Society. It is our judgment that further labour from us will be unavailing which we submit to the Monthly Meeting.

Wm R. Taber
Elnathan E Delano

5mo 28th 1846

D. D. Gifford cert. recd.

A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel D Gifford a minor son of Charles Gifford is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

M Eddy
E Eddy
M A Taber
L Barnard
denied

We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Mehetable Eddy, Elizabeth Eddy Mary Ann Taber & Lydia Barnard.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6 mo 2d 1846 Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland & Geo. Wing — Longplain John Wood & Daniel Knowles who are all present.

Z. Weaver Our esteemed friend Zebulon Weaver of Smyrna Monthly Meeting New York attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from that Monthly Meetg expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry — His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Herendeen Our esteemed friend Gideon Herendeen of Farmington Monthly Meeting New York attended this meeting as companion to his wife Bathsheba Herendeen and presented a satisfactory minute from that Monthly Meeting — His company has been acceptable to us.

Herendeen Our esteemed friend Bathsheba Herendeen of Farmington Monthly Meeting N.Y. also attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from that Monthly Meeting endorsed by Farmington Quarterly Meeting expressive of the unity of her friends with her ministry and present religious engagements.— Her company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us.

J. Hodges Our esteemed friend Martha J. Hodges of China Monthly Meeting, Maine also attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from her friends expressive of their unity with her ministry and present religious engagements — Her company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us. — The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing the above named friends with copies of these minutes as they relate to each respectively

ueries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives.

6mo 1846 John Howland Wm P. Howland, Wm Gifford &
Rep. to Wm R. Taber are appointed representatives to the Quarterly
2d Mo 19. Meeting.

W. Howland The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting
Complaint inform that Weston Howland has married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member — Philip Anthony and Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

F Bowman The Committee appointed at our last Monthly
received Meeting to visit Francis Bowman presented the following report which having been read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly received into membership with us and Charles R. Tucker is named to inform him hereof.

R. Davis A certificate on account of marriage to Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of Richard Davis is approved.

S R Morgan The Committee appointed at our last Monthly
denied Meeting to visit Samuel R. Morgan presented the following report which having been read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and George Howland Jr is named to inform him hereof.

L. Kempton We unite with the womens meeting in receiving
received Lovey Kempton wife of Caleb Kempton into membership with us

The friend named to inform Wm L Rodman of his being denied the right of membership reports that he has informed him.

Report of Committee in the case of Francis Bowman
To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Francis Bowman on account of his request to

6 mo 1846 become a member of our religious Society — The interview we had with him was a very satisfactory one — he appeared sincere in his request — and we are united in judgment that it might be safe to receive him into membership with us — which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting.

Rufus Shearman

New Bedford 6 mo 25. 1846 Josiah Holmes Jr

Report in case S R Morgan Report of Committee in the case of Saml R. Morgan

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Samuel Rodman Morgan. He expressed a regard for friends and an attachment to our principles, but should prefer to attend the meetings of another religious Society in the way he had been brought up, and manifested no desire to retain his right of membership. Believing that further labor on our part will not be useful, we submit the case to the Meeting.

Matthew Howland

New Bedford 6 mo 23 1846 Henry T. Wood

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

7 mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7 mo 23 1846 Representatives from New Bedford Harrison Maxon & Rufus Shearman — Longplain Williams Davol & Joseph R. Wing two of whom are absent.

T. Akin Timothy Akin having requested a removal certificate for himself & family to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting William Gifford & Rufus Shearman are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Yearly Meetg Stock By a minute of our last Quarterly Meeting we are informed that our proportion of the sum necessary

7mo 1846 to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is three hundred sixty dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit

Extracts fr Report Boardg Sch. & Com.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting relating to the Boarding School at Providence and to the appointment of a Committee on the subject of Education also the report of the Boarding School Committee were received and read. The priviledge of sending one Scholar for one term free of expence being continued to each monthly meeting; the friends named on the Committee on Education for this Monthly Meeting are requested to select a suitable candidate to occupy that priviledge.

Epistle Y. Mg.

An Epistolatory communication from our last Yearly Meeting was also received and read to our satisfaction.

The friends named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform Francis Bowman and Samuel R. Morgan of the conclusion of this meeting in their respective cases report that they have been informed.

London Epistle

The London General Epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

8mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 27, 1846 Representatives from New Bedford Matthew Howland and Francis Bowman — Longplain Wm R Taber and Sands Wing who are all present.

F. Robeson Complaint

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Frederick Robeson who according to discipline has a right of membership in our Society, has wholly abstained from the attendance of our religious meetings; and gives no encouragement of attending them in future. — Elisha Thornton and Charles R Tucker

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 14th to the 19th inclusive of the sixth month, 1846—

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

Being again favored to meet in this our annual assembly, and to partake sweetly of the sustaining bread of life through the unmerited mercy of our Heavenly Father, who in condescending love has extended his wing of goodness over us, you, dear absent Friends, have been brought very feelingly before us, and we have felt concerned to salute you in the fellowship of the unchanging truth, and to endeavor to convey to you a little of the exercises of this Meeting, and of the comforts of which we have been at this time permitted to be partakers. We have been made renewedly to feel, and we crave that it may be abidingly impressed upon our hearts, that all our sure mercies come from God; that He alone can direct us aright, and that it is only as we are engaged to look unto Him, continuing steadfastly in watchfulness unto prayer, that we can witness preservation. Many are the evils that abound in the world—multiplied are the snares and temptations that surround us—and very fervent are our desires that, abiding in lowliness of mind, we may sit as at the feet of the blessed Saviour, waiting to hear the gracious words that proceed out of his mouth.

In the solemn and important engagement of investigating the state of Society as presented to us at this time, we have been, we trust, exercised before the Lord, and have witnessed his Spirit to be near us, under the influence of which his servants have been qualified to impart pertinent counsel and exhortation, which we desire may be productive of good. Under this engagement, parents were earnestly entreated to be faithful in the duty of attending all our religious meetings to offer unto our Heavenly Father the reasonable service of worship and praise, under a sense of our dependence upon Him; and they were impressively exhorted to be very careful to take their tender offspring with them; that as it pleaseth the Lord often to visit the minds of children in very early life, a lasting blessing might be received by them from this religious care of their parents. We were tenderly and impressively warned to guard against pernicious reading, in the various forms in which it abounds at the present day; not only of that reading which is of a light and frivolous character of a general nature, but also of that to which of later time we have been peculiarly exposed, and which is calculated to lessen our attachment to the Truth, and to prejudice our minds in relation to those who feel bound, under much suffering, faithfully to support it, and the precious testimonies and order of our religious Society. A living concern was felt that Friends might promote in their families the diligent reading of the Holy Scriptures with hearts turned unto Him who in the riches of his mercy was pleased to inspire his servants of old to write them, and who has preserved them for our instruction in righteousness unto the present day, and who condescends to open and apply their precious contents to the humble seeking mind. We were feelingly cited to our individual experience, when, in the day of our espousals, we were visited by the Spirit of the Lord, and in tenderness before Him we entered into holy covenant to serve Him, and were earnestly entreated to yield unreservedly to the requirements of truth, that He who has begun a good work in our hearts may carry it on until the day of Jesus Christ. The young were affectionately encouraged to look confidingly unto the Lord for preservation and for strength, that in the end they may wear a crown of life.

And, dear young Friends, wherever situated, under the feelings of constraining love, you are now brought very near to us, and we are drawn fervently to exhort you to beware of the whisperings of our subtle foe, who would lead you to believe it may be allowable for you for the present to turn aside from the safe and narrow way to which in after time you can readily return, or who would insinuate that the self-denying path is too limited for you in the strength of your youth to walk in. He that thus speaks to you is a deceiver. The longer you deviate from this path, the more difficult will be your return—the harder the struggles through which you will have to pass if, happily, you are ever restored to the safe enclosure. Submit now in the morning of your days, we entreat you, to the circumscribing power of truth. An early sacrifice is acceptable unto the Lord; and you will witness, as you yield to the requirements of duty, that the yoke of Christ is easy and his burdens light—that the ways of wisdom are pleasantness and all her paths are peace.

Finally, dear Friends, of every age, may we be humbled under a sense of the goodness of our Heavenly Father—may we rejoice with trembling in contemplating the provisions of his mercy in Christ Jesus our Saviour. May we submit ourselves in simplicity unto the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the gift of the Father and the Son, and walking in the meekness of wisdom before men, show forth in all our lives and conversation that we are the humble followers of a meek and crucified Saviour.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Yearly Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*
HANNAH GOULD, Jr., *Clerk.*

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island in the sixth month, 1846—

The Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence presented their annual report, which was read: and while the care thus manifested by the Committee is satisfactory to this Meeting, yet, in view of the importance of the concern, and with desires that the greatest amount of good may be dispensed to the members of our religious Society from an Institution established, as we doubt not, in best wisdom, and endowed and cherished by beloved friends, deeply concerned for the promotion of truth and the preservation and guarded education of the children of this Society, we are induced now to appoint our friends * * * * * * a Committee to take the whole subject into their solid consideration, and if, after careful deliberation, they are prepared to propose any change, either in the Committee or in the manner of their discharging the duties of their appointment, or to make any other suggestion that they apprehend will promote the interests of the Institution, they are requested to report the same to a future sitting of this Meeting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee to whom this subject was referred presented the following report, viz.:—

"To the Yearly Meeting.

"The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the report of the School Committee, and who were requested to make any suggestions that they might deem important in relation to the welfare of the School and promotion of the best interests of the Institution, report:

"That they have given to the subject their careful deliberation, and are united in making the following propositions to the Yearly Meeting, viz.:

"In order to effect a more direct responsibility on the part of those appointed by the Yearly Meeting to superintend the School, and to induce greater efficiency of action in the direction and management of its affairs, we would propose that a small Committee of twelve of each sex should be appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to whom should be committed the care and superintendence of the Institution, six of whom (three of each sex) should be released from the charge and six others substituted annually. These six should be eligible to reappointment after one year, and the others to continue to be released in rotation, from year to year.

"It should be understood that this Committee should give their personal attention closely to the School, and should meet there monthly and appoint of their number such as they should deem proper to have the more immediate charge thereof during the recess of their meetings. They should visit the Schools to know for themselves their true state, by attending them during school hours, and by witnessing, advising, and directing in relation to the process of instruction, and they should judge of the standing and progress of the children, and enter into free intercourse with them and their teachers. They should advise with and direct the Superintendents respecting the expenditures and domestic management of the family, and endeavor to feel and exercise an individual interest in the various concerns of the Institution.

"We would also propose that the Yearly Meeting should appoint a General Committee on the subject of education, to be composed of Friends from the several Quarterly Meetings, to promote the guarded education of our children, both in the Boarding School and in Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting and family schools, in accordance with the concern long felt by the Yearly Meeting. This Committee on Education should meet and consult with the School Committee at the time of our Yearly Meeting at Newport, and also at the School at the time of the examination in the tenth month at the close of the summer term. Both Committees should freely communicate with each other, and thereby endeavor to promote the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society. The whole to be subject to the control and direction of the Yearly Meeting annually.

"On behalf of the Committee,

"Rowland Greene,
"Sophronia Page.

"*Newport*, 6*th mo.* 18*th*, 1846."

—Which was fully considered and united with, and the propositions therein contained adopted by the Meeting; and the same Friends who presented the report were requested to produce to our next sitting the names of suitable Friends to constitute the two Committees proposed to be appointed by this Meeting.

The report of the Boarding School Committee for the past year being approved was directed to be recorded and transmitted by the Clerk to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

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"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

"The Boarding School Committee report, that they have endeavored the past year to discharge the duties entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting in superintending the concerns of the Institution.

"Religious meetings have been regularly held in the house except during the vacations. The average number of scholars the past year has been eighty-four. The schools have been examined at the close of each term by a committee appointed for the purpose, from whose reports it appears that the evidence afforded of diligence and proficiency on the part of the pupils, and ability and faithfulness on that of the teachers, were satisfactory and encouraging. Instruction continues to be given in the languages when desired on the same conditions as heretofore, to wit, five dollars a term additional charge.

"The Treasurer's and Superintendents' accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School for the last year has been $9,534 93, and the expenditures $11,131 39; leaving a balance in the treasury of $2,886 74.

"We would propose that the terms for board and tuition be the same as last year, to wit, thirty dollars a term for members of this Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for members of other Yearly Meetings, books and stationary being furnished as at present. We would also propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar a term free of expense, as last year, and that they occupy this privilege either in the winter term or in the summer term next succeeding; and the Monthly Meetings are desired, should they deem it best not to send a scholar till the summer term, to inform the Acting Committee at its meeting in the tenth month.

"Our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson are engaged as Superintendents, and Charles Atherton, Samuel Austin and Edward Hoag as teachers in the boys' school, and Mary Atherton and Gertrude Whittier in the girls'. David C. Chace was employed during the winter term as an assistant in the boys' department, and Elizabeth Prosser during the year in the girls'. William Nicholson was also employed as a teacher in the boys' school during the summer term of the past year.

"Since our last report, the Committee have made several valuable additions to the philosophical apparatus belonging to the Institution.

"Although the number of scholars has been somewhat larger during the past than the preceding year, yet the Committee regret that no more of the children of Friends enjoy the advantages which the Institution affords for a thorough school education, free in good measure from the corrupting influences of the world. The improved condition of schools, both public and private, within the limits of New England, may seem to have diminished the necessity of placing our children in the Boarding School; but we believe that most of these schools will be found to exercise an influence adverse to the simplicity and purity of our Christian profession, and many of them to expose the susceptible minds of our youth to those corrupting associations from which it has ever been the concern of Friends carefully to guard them. The religious concern for the guarded education of our children, which the principal donors to the school fund uniformly manifested, we hope will be steadily borne in mind by all those upon whom devolve the parental care and guardianship of the young; that the substantial advantages so liberally placed within their reach may be reaped to greater extent in time to come.

"Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,

"JONATHAN L. SLOCUM, *Clerk.*

"*Boarding School, 5th mo. 8th*, 1846."

The Committee to whom it was referred to produce to this Meeting the names of suitable Friends to constitute a School Committee, propose the following, to wit:

"Perez Peck, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Samuel Taylor, Jr., John Osborne, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyce, John D. Lang, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chace, David Buffum, Rowland Greene.

"Elizabeth Meader, Eliza B. Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, Lydia Congdon, Sophronia Page, Susan Howland, Joanna Peck, Eunice Metcalf, Ann Elmira Lang, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary Shove, Mary B. Allen."

—Which being satisfactory, they are appointed a Committee to act on our behalf in the care and superintendence of the Boarding School, agreeably to a proposal adopted by this Meeting yesterday; and they are requested to render such personal attention at the Institution as they may be able to do, giving such advice and directions in the various concerns thereof as they may deem calculated to promote its interests in accordance with the original concern of this Meeting in establishing a school for the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society, and report to this Meeting next year.

The following Friends (being two of each sex from each Monthly Meeting) are proposed to constitute a Committee on Education, to wit:—

"*Rhode Island Quarter*—Moses H. Beede, Jethro F. Mitchell, Timothy C. Collins, Benjamin Greene, Jervis Shove, Thomas S. Gifford, Gilbert Congdon, James Dennis.

"Elizabeth Wing, Mary Williams, Laura L. Chase, Sarah Slade, Elizabeth Peckham, Freelove Greene, Mary W. Smith, Anna T. Dennis.

"*Salem*—William H. Chase, Nathan Breed of Lynn, Moses Huntington, Jr., Newell Ordway, Herrod Chase, Joshua Page.

"Elizabeth H. Chase, Mary E. Breed, Elizabeth Gove, Susan L. Brown, Alice Page, Anna Johnson.

"*Sandwich*—George Howland, Jr., Charles R. Tucker, Newell Hoxie, Ebenezer Wing, William Mitchell, Abraham R. Wing, George Almy, George W. Francis, John Macomber, Adna Davis, Calvin Shepherd, Moses F. Rogers.

"Sarah Anthony, Dorcas F. Tucker, Rebecca C. Hoxie, Mercy H. Wing, Sarah Barnard, Lydia Mitchell, Mary Gifford, Phebe R. Gifford, Barbary Gifford, Rebecca Church, Sarah J. Brown, Mary Shepherd.

"*Falmouth*—Abraham Winslow, Joseph Cartland, Nathan Pope, Lemuel Jones of Windham, Caleb Jones, Henry M. Minot, Nathan Douglas, Lemuel Jones of Brunswick.

"Mary Bracket, Susan P. Cartland, Lydia Allen, Sarah W. Pope, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minot, Eunice J. Rich, Maria B. Jones.

"*Smithfield*—Arnold Aldrich 2d, Thomas Grover, Edward Earle, Paul Wing, John E. Frye, David Badcock.

"Catharine Comstock, Abigail Inman, Ann B. Earle, Elizabeth Southwick, Rachel F. Holder, Sarah C. Frye.

"*Vassalboro'*—Moses Taber, Thomas B. Nichols, Eli Jones, Lot Jones, Joseph Taber, Asa Jones.

"Lydia P. Frye, Theodate S. Pope, Mary Cook, Mary R. Jones, Deborah B. Warren, Jane H. Jones.

"*Dover*—Benjamin Frye, Stephen Beede, Walter Sawyer, Benjamin H. Jones, Benajah Buffum, Peter M. Neal.

"Abigail Beede, Sarah Hoag, Abigail M. Hanson, Hannah G. Sawyer, Hannah Morrill, Lydia C. Neal.

"*Fairfield*—Joseph Taylor, George Richardson, Alden Sampson, Jacob Pope, Daniel R. Bailey, David Douglas.

"Olive Wing, Lydia Taylor, Sarah T. Sampson, Lucy J. Hawkes, Phebe Bailey, Chloe Douglas."

—Who are satisfactory to this Meeting, and they are appointed to attend to the general service of promoting the guarded education of our youth, particularly as indicated in the minute made yesterday, proposing such an appointment, and they are requested to report to this Meeting next year. The Clerk is directed to make the necessary extracts from our minutes on these subjects, and forward them, together with the names of the Committees now appointed, to our subordinate Meetings.

Signed by direction of the Yearly Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*
HANNAH GOULD, JR., *Clerk.*

NOTE.—Wingate Frost, Limmington, Maine, is appointed correspondent of Limmington Monthly Meeting.

o 1846 are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

E E Delano

Elnathan E Delano having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting Gideon Wood and Sands Wing are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Wilbur
Complaint

The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Gideon Wilbur has for a considerable time past wholly neglected our religious meetings and attended the meetings of those who have recently withdrawn from us.— Wm R Taber and Thomas Wood are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

[illegible] &
family removed

A removal Certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Timothy Aikin & family is approved with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

Weston
Howland

The Committee appointed in the 6th month last to visit Weston Howland on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report and acknowledgment which was considered and accepted and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting he is retained in membership with us and Philip Anthony is named to inform him hereof.—

Report.

Agreeable to appointment we have had several interviews with Weston Howland in consequence of his deviation in marriage. He has invariably expressed to us and we think in sincerity a strong desire to be retained in Society which we submit to the Meeting.

Signed Philip Anthony
Elisha Thornton

To New Bedford
Monthly Meeting 8mo 27, 1846

8mo 1846 To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

W. Howland
acknowl:

I am aware that I have gone contrary to the rules of Society in marrying contrary thereto. I still wish to retain my right of membership as heretofore and hope that Friends will overlook it

Respectfully

New Bedford 8mo 26. 1846 Weston Howland

F. Taber
J. Eddy
G. M Eddy
F. Taber Jr
G. F. Barnard
denied

The Committee appointed in the 4th month last to visit Francis Taber Job Eddy, George M Eddy Francis Taber Jr and George F. Barnard presented the following report which after a time of solid consideration was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens Meeting we deny them the right of membership and Charles R Tucker and Wm. P. Howland are named to inform them hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Your committee appointed in the case of Francis Taber, Job Eddy, George M Eddy Francis Taber Jr and George F Barnard _ Report, that a part of their number have had an interview with Francis Taber, Job Eddy, Francis Taber Jr and George F. Barnard; they were neither of them willing to receive the Committee saying that they did not acknowledge that they or the Monthly Meeting by which they were appointed had any authority or jurisdiction over them but justified themselves in the course they had taken.

With George M Eddy the whole number of the Committee had in interviews which resulted in like manner, he also justified the course he had taken. Not seeing that we could be of further service in the case we submit it to the meeting.

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
8mo 1846

John Howland
Joseph Davis

The friend named to inform Henry H Brownell of his being denied the right of membership reports that he had informed him

9mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 24 1846 —

Representatives from New Bedford George Wing & Joseph Taber — Longplain Richard Davis & Cornelius Macomber who are all present.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a Summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Josiah Holmes 2d, Abm Davis, Wm R Taber & Wm C Taber.

Rep. to Quarterly Mg

Alfred Rodman Complaint — The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative Meeting inform that Alfred Rodman who according to the Discipline has a right of membership in our society wholly refrains from the attendance of our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future — George Howland 2d & Edmund [illegible] are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

E E Delano to Sandwich — A certificate on account of marriage directed to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Elnathan E Delano is approved.

G. Wilbur denied — The Committee appointed last month to visit Gideon Wilbur presented the following report which was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and Abeli D. Wolf is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

Pursuant to appointment we have visited Gideon Wilbur on account of his leaving Friends. He received us kindly as neighbours but refused to acknowledge a monthly meeting of which Wm C Taber was clerk and seemed contentious and hard when the subject of Society was brought up. — He gave no encouragement whatever to friends but expressed himself

9 mo 1846 perfectly satisfied with the course he had taken - therefore believing that any further service from us would be unavailing we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting

Thomas Wood
9 mo 24, 1846 William C Taber

Avis Holmes late Taber denied We unite with the Womens Meeting in denying the right of membership to Avis Holmes late Taber who has married out of the order of our religious Society

Sylvanus & Wm Hamlin A Certificate has been forwarded to us from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Silvanus and William Hamblin minor sons of Obed Hamblin but it appears that Silvanus has removed to Fall River and that William does not attend our religious meetings the Clerk is directed to return the certificate to that Monthly Meeting with this information.

Overseers appointed The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired the friends now under appointment are continued on that service for the ensuing year or till another appointment.

The friends named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform Francis Taber and others of their being denied the right of membership report that they have been in

Attest Wm C Taber c

10 mo 1846 At New Bedford Mo meeting held 10 mo 22, 184 Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman and Giles E Stanton - Longplain Elnathan E Delano and Gideon Wood, who are all present -

The clerk of this meeting being absent - Cha R Tucker is appointed clerk for this time -

J. A. T. Eddy Complaint The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting inform that Job A T Eddy has much neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, on which account some labour has been extended and has recently married in a manner

10mo 1846 contrary to the order of our society, with one not in profession with us — we appoint John Howland and Philip Anthony to visit him on these accounts and report to a future meeting —

John Shepherd Complaint & Denied

The overseers of the same meeting also inform that John Shepherd has for a long time been very remiss in the attendance of our religious meetings, and has also indulged in the habits of intemperance in the use of Spirituous Liquors, on which account labour has been extended without producing the desired result, and has of latter time so far given way to intemperate habits as to occasion his being sent to the House of Correction — After a time of deliberation upon the subject, this meeting concludes to deny him the right of membership, having the concurrence of the womens meeting and Rufus Shearman is named to inform him hereof —

F. Robeson Denied

The committee appointed in the 8th month to visit Frederick Robeson — presented the following report, which being considered was accepted by the meeting, and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership, and Chas R. Tucker is named to inform him hereof —

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended —

Cath. Booth [illegible] denied

We unite with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Catharine Booth (late Kelley) And also unite with them in the approval of a removal certificate on behalf of Huldah

Huldah Akin removed

Akin to Dartmouth Mo meeting —

The friend named in the 5th month

10mo 1846 to inform George DeWolf of his denial reports that he has been informed — and the friend appointed last month to inform Gideon Wilbur of the conclusion of this Meeting in his case, reports that he has attended to that service —

Report in the case of F. Robeson

To the monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Frederick Robeson, he expressed kind feelings toward the Society — but on account of his relatives attending the Meetings of another denomination he prefered meeting with them — and gave very little encouragement of meeting with friends in future — we are of Opinion that any further Care from the Society is not required, which we submit to the meeting —

New Bedford
10 Mo 21. 1846 } Elisha Thornton
Chas R Tucker

A true copy Chas R Tucker clerk for this time

11mo 1846. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 26 1846 Representatives from New Bedford Wm. Gifford and Geo. Howland — Longplain Daniel Davis and Richard Davis who are all present.

Eli Jones Our esteemed friend Eli Jones of China Mo. Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements his company has been acceptable to us

Sybil Jones Our esteemed friend Sybil Jones of China Mo. Meeting also attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from her friends expressive of their unity with her ministry and present religious engagements; — her company and religious services have been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to write

1 Mo 1846 with the clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing the before named friends with minutes embracing the substance of the above.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives

Rep. to Quarterly Mtg. to which service we appoint John Howland Sands Wing Wm P. Howland, Giles E. Stanton & Wm [illegible]

J. H. Drinker Complaint The Overseers of [illegible] Preparative Meeting inform that John Henry Drinker who according to discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future: — Wm Gifford & Henry T. Wood are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

F. Grinnell Complaint The Overseers of the same meeting also inform that Francis Grinnell who according to discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings and does not give encouragement of attending them in future: — George Wing & Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

H. P. Bowen Complaint The Overseers of Longplain Preparative Meeting inform that Henry P. Bowen has married in a manner contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member Josiah Holmes 2d and Wm K Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Rochester Meetings The Committee appointed to visit the meetings at Rochester presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted and the Meetings are accordingly continued another year to be held as proposed in the report under the care of a committee, — the Womens meeting uniting herein. And the Committee continued under appointment with the addition of Henry T. Wood

11mo 1846 and the exception of our late friend Reuben Russell deceased are continued on the same service and are requested to report in the 11th month next.

Report Rochester Comm.

To New Bedford Monthly Meeting

The Committee to visit the Meetings at Rochester report: That they have given attention to their appointment and that the meetings have been visited as way has opened for it. They are united in proposing a continuance of them as heretofore held, with the exception that no meeting be held on the middle of the week of our Yearly Meeting and that a committee be appointed to visit them as heretofore.

On behalf of the Committee
John Howland
Susan Howland

New Bedford 11mo 1846

Ellen Motley late Rodman denied

We unite with the Womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Ellen Motley late Rodman who has married out of the order of our Society.

The friends named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform John Shepherd and Frederick Robinson of their being denied the right of membership report that they have been informed.

Susan Howland Minute to Liberate

Our beloved friend Susan Howland informed this meeting that under the renewed conviction of apprehended duty she was induced to lay before us a concern she had felt to attend the Monthly Meetings of [illegible] and [illegible] and also to pay a religious visit to such Meetings and families of Friends within their limits as way might open for it in the Truth. After a time of solid consideration much unity and sympathy were expressed with her therein and she left at liberty to pursue her prospect as Truth may direct. She being a minister in unity with us. The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this and sign it on our behalf.

London Epistle

The London general Epistle of the present year was read in this meeting to our edification.

Sarah Taber denied

We unite with the womens meeting in denying the righ of membership to Sarah Taber.

attest Wm C Taber Clerk

12mo 1846 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting 12mo 24, 1846.
Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Geo. Howland 2d — Longplain Gideon Ward and Joseph K Wing who are all present.

J A T Eddy denied The Committee appointed in the 10th month last to visit Job A. T. Eddy presented the following report which having been read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we deny him the right of membership and the clerk is directed to inform him thereof.

Auditors app.d Wm Gifford, Matthew Howland & Wm R Taber are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts, to ascertain what sum is necessary to be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer — to report at our next Monthly Meeting.

The Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have visited Job A. T. Eddy but did not find him disposed either to again attend the meetings of our Society or to make satisfaction for his deviation in marriage. — Being united in opinion that any further labour will be unavailing we submit it to the meeting

John Howland
New Bedford 12mo 19. 1846 Philip Anthony

Attest Wm C. Taber Clerk

mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held mo 28, 1847
Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland & Wm Bradford — Longplain Cornelius Macomber & Elnathan E Delano who are all present.

Alfred Rodman denied The Committee appointed in the 9th month last to visit Alfred Rodman presented the following report

1mo 1847 which was read and ~~considered~~ accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and Edmund Gardner is named to inform him hereof.

J H Drinker disowned The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit John Henry Drinker presented the following report which was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society And Philip Anthony is named to inform him hereof.

H Russell & family Cert. recd A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting On behalf of Henry Russell & family is accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

C. Willis disowned We concur with the womens meeting in denying the right of membership to Cornelia Willis late Grinnell who has married out of the order of our Society.

Geo Haney disowned The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit George Haney presented the following report which was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the Women meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and Geo. Howland Jr is named to inform him hereof.

Report of Committee in the case of Alfred Rodman

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have had a conference with Alfred Rodman relative to his non-attendance of our meetings, he says he never has attended Friends Meetings and is of the opinion he never shall We therefore are of the united opinion that further labor from us would be unavailing. We therefore submit it to the Meeting for their decission.

Edmund Gardner
Geo. Howland Jr

New Bedford 1mo 27 1847

Mo 1847 Report of Committee in the case of John Henry Drinker

To the Monthly Meeting

We your committee in the case of John Henry Drinker now report, we have had an interview with him; he received us kindly and seemed to feel much regard for friends, but at the same time expressed a choice in attending the meetings of another religious Society who are not in profession with us, and said with those views he did not see how friends could retain him a member.

Wm [illegible]
Henry T Wood

New Bedford Mo 23, 1847

Report of Committee in the case of George Barney

To the Monthly Meeting

In pursuance of our appointment we have visited George Barney but have been unable to induce him to attend our meetings or give any encouragement of again doing so; and it appearing evident to us that further labor in the case would be unavailing we submit it to the judgment of the meeting

Wm C Taber
Geo. Howland Jr

New Bedford Mo 1847

Auditing Committee The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts presented the following report which was read and accepted and in accordance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of eleven hundred dollars for the use of this meeting the ensuing year and William C Taber is reappointed Treasurer.

Collection Seth H Akin, Joseph R Wing, Walter Wood Elnathan E Delano, Henry T Wood & Matthew Howland are appointed to receive subscriptions for this amount and to present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.

1mo 1847 We have this day examined and settled the accounts of W C Taber Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting and find a balance due him of eighty 55/100 dollars and would recommend that the sum of eleven hundred dollars be raised for the use of said Meeting for the present year and also propose the name of Wm C Taber as Treasurer

Wm Gifford
Matthew Howland
New Bedford 1mo 15, 1847 Wm R Taber

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

2mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 25, 1847 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford and Edmund Gardner — Longplain Stillwood and Gideon Wood who are all present.

Clerks appointed The time for which the Clerk and Assistant Clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired William C Taber is reappointed Clerk and Charles R. Tucker Assistant Clerk for the year ensuing or till another appointment

F. Grinnell disowned The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit Francis Grinnell presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and Elisha Thornton is named to inform him hereof.

The friend named to inform John Henry Drinker of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.

D. Knowls application A request being received from Daniel Knowls that his two minor sons Elias & Daniel Knowls 2d might be received into membership — Josiah Holmes 2d Richard Davis & Wm R Taber are appointed to take the subject of the request into consideration, visit the family, and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

Charles R. Tucker is reappointed Recorder

2nd mo 1847 and Wm R. Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointed.

Recorders appointed

We unite with the womens meeting in disowning Susan Wilbur as a member of our religious Society.

Report of Committee in the case of Francis Grinnell

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment one of our committee has had an interview with Francis Grinnell and at the same time requested an opportunity for both to see him to which he made no other objection than it would be attended with some inconvenience and would be entirely useless as his mind was made up not to meet ~~of not~~ with us but to attend the meetings of another denomination.

Under these circumstances we feel easy to leave the subject with the meeting

Elisha Thornton
New Bedford 2nd mo 1, 1847 George Wing

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ffering Irish

Since our last Monthly Meeting the following communication was received from our Meeting for Sufferings and it appearing that the situation of our Suffering fellow creatures in Ireland called for the prompt attention of Friends, the minute of that meeting together with an address to friends of North America from a Committee of friends in London and another from a Similar Committee in Dublin were read at the close of a meeting for worship in New Bedford.

The description given by our brethren in London and Dublin of the destitution and misery of a large part of the Irish population excited the sympathy of the meeting and friends were encouraged to contribute to their relief. A subscription was accordingly opened in connection with one then in progress by the citizens of this and the neighbouring Towns which resulted in obtaining three thousand five hundred & forty eight dollars for this charitable purpose of which some eight hundred dollars was subscribed by members

2mo 1847

of our Society. The amount thus collected has been remitted to Jonathan Pim one of the Secretaries of the Central Committee of Friends of Dublin with a request that it might be distributed among the most necessitous of his countrymen.

The Clerk is directed to forward the substance of this minute to the Committee of our Meeting for Sufferings

Minute from the Meeting for Sufferings

At a Meeting for Sufferings of New England Yearly Meeting held at Providence 3d of 2mo 1847

Information being at this time received that in consequence of the principal means of subsistence of the poorer class of the people in Ireland having been cut off, much suffering exists in various parts of that country and that Friends there and in England and elsewhere have contributed and are now contributing liberally for their relief and a circular upon the subject issued by Friends in England addressed to Friends in North America having been received and read at this time, it is the conclusion of this meeting to recommend the subject to the consideration of our Monthly Meetings in order that Friends may enter into subscriptions for their relief, should way open for it; and we appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey Perez Peck, John Meader, John Osborn, John D Lang David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf and Samuel Boyce a Committee to whom such subscriptions as may be obtain may be forwarded, who are requested to take charge thereof and forward the same, so that it shall be applie in such way as shall most effectually relieve the wants of those for whom it is intended.

A copy of the circular alluded to is herewith forwarded

Signed on behalf of the Meeting aforesaid

Samuel Boyce Clerk

2mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 25. 1847

Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Shearman & Elisha Thornton – Longplain Sands Wing and Stephen Tripp, two of whom were present – for the absence of one friend a satisfactory reason was assigned

Queries The queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings a summary of which was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives

Rep. to Quart.y Meet.g to which service we appoint Giles E Stanton, Josiah Holmes 2, Wm P Howland and Geo. Howland Jr.

A complaint from the Overseers against George Hussey is referred to our next Monthly Meeting.

S. Howland returning minute Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the eleventh month last to visit the Quarterly Meetings of Scipio and Farmington and some of the Meetings and families of Friends within their limits and also presented returning minutes ~~furnished~~ her by the Monthly Meetings of Elba Farmington & Rochester expressive of their satisfaction with her company and Gospel labours while among them. She also informed the meeting that she had been enabled to perform the service required of her measurably to the peace of her own mind which is satisfactory to this meeting.

The friends named to inform George Rainey and Alfred Rodman of the conclusion of this meeting in their respective cases report that they have been informed.

D. Knowles Children received The Committee to whom was referred the application of Daniel Knowles that his two minor sons Elias and Daniel 2 might be received into membership with us presented the following report, which was read and accepted and with the concurrance of the Womens Meeting they are accordingly received into membership.

The Committee appointed in the 11th month last to visit Abner P. Cowen presented the following report, which

3mo 1847 was read and accepted and having the concurrence
A P Cowen of the womens Meeting we disown him as a member of
disowned our religious Society and Josiah Holmes h is named to
inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Abner P. Cowen — He received us kindly but did not appear to be in a situation of mind to make Friends satisfaction. It is our judgment we cannot consistantly retain him a member of our religious society.

Wm R Taber
Josiah Holmes h

Fairhaven 3mo 21, 1847

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited the family of Daniel Knowles to a good degree of satisfaction and believe it will be safe to receive their children Elias and Daniel Knowles 2d into membership with us.

Fairhaven 3mo 17, 1847

Josiah Holmes h
Richard Davis
William R Taber

The friend named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform Francis Grinnell of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.

Attest Wm C Taber, clerk

1847
4 Month At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4 Mo 22d 1847 Representatives to this meeting — from New Bedford Henry T Wood, Joseph Kempton, Longplain — Daniel Davis and Isaac Hiller, who are all present —

The clerk of this meeting not being present, the assistant clerk is desired to serve the meeting for the day.

W P Howland request A request from William P and Hannah H Howland that their minor children viz. Isaac Howland, Thomas Chatkly-

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m P Howland
& wife
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Howland and Wm. Penn Howland Jr, should be admitted unto membership with us — we appoint Joseph Davis and Rufus Shearman to join the committee that may be appointed by the womens meeting, to visit the family and report their judgement in the case to a future meeting —

m P. Cowin
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The Overseers of Long plain Preparative meeting inform that William P Cowin has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member — Elnathan E Delano and Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting;

The representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended,

The friend named last month to inform Abner P Cowin the conclusion of this meeting in his case, reports that he has attended to that service —

rah H Kehew
Disowned

We unite with the womens meeting in disowning Sarah H Kehew (late Allen) as a member of our religious Society —

o Hussey
mplaint —

The Overseers of New Bedford Preparative meeting inform, that they beleive it to be their duty to inform the meeting, that George Hussey has introduced into his family, and indulges his children, in the practice of amusements which have ever been deemed inconsistant with our religious profession, and contrary to the discipline. Labour has been extended in the case; but they regret the necessity of saying without the desired effect — we appoint Joseph Davis, Barnabus Taber and Chas R Tucker to visit and labour with him upon the subject of the complaint, and report at a future meeting —

— Atts Chas R Tucker Asst Clerk —

5th 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th 27. 1847

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner & Geo. Wing — Longplain Josiah Holmes 2 and Joseph R. Wing who are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned

W. P. Howland's Children received

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly on account of the request of Wm P. & Hannah H. Howland that their minor Children, viz Isaac, Thomas C. and Wm P. Howland 2 might be received into membership, presented the following report, which having been read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting they are accordingly received into membership with us.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have visited Wm P. Howland & family on account of their request for their Children namely Isaac Howland, Thomas Chalkley Howland, and Wm P. Howland 2 that they should be received into membership with us and after visiting the family to our satisfaction we are united in judgment that it might be safe to receive them into membership with us which we submit to the judgment of the Monthly Meeting. On behalf of the Committee Rufus Shearman
New Bedford 5th 27. 1847 Susan Howland

Complaint D. A. Dewolf

The Overseers inform through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Daniel A. Dewolf has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member:— Geo. Wing and Philip Anthony are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

Jos. Bailey disowned

The Committee appointed in the 6th month 1844, to visit Joseph Bailey on account of his deviation in marriage, presented the following report, which was read and considered, and having the concurrence of the womens meeting, we disown him as a member of our religious Society, and Philip Anthony is named to inform him hereof.

5mo: 1847 To the Monthly Meeting

We have visited Joseph Bailey since his return from Sea but did not find him in a situation of mind to make satisfaction for his deviation in marriage; and believing that further labor from us will be unavailing we submit the case to the meeting

John Howland
Philip Anthony

New Bedford 5mo 26. 1847

Burial Ground Committee The Committee having the oversight of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following report which was read and accepted and the Committee now under appointment with the addition of Wm P. Howland and the exception of George Howland, released at his own request, are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee having the Superintendance of Funerals and care of Burial Grounds report:— That they have given attention to their appointment and that some of their number have attended all funerals where their care has been requested. With regard to monuments there has been no change since our last report.

On behalf of the Committee
Charles R. Tucker

5mo 27. 1847

M. Chase disowned We unite with the womens meeting in disowning ~~Mary~~ Mercy Chase late, ~~Kelly~~ ~~Bowman~~ Kelly as a member of our religious Society.

A. L. Davis Cert. recd We also unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of Anna L. Davis wife of Richard Davis.

L. C. Swift received We also unite with them in receiving Lydia C. Swift into membership with us

Signed Wm C. Taber

6mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 24 1847
Representatives from New Bedford Geo. Howland & Joseph Kempton — Longplain Amaziah Delano & Gideon Wood who are all present.

B. Fry's visit — Our beloved friend Benjamin Fry of Sandwich Monthly Meeting New Hampshire attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements. His company and gospel labours have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

M J Hodges A D Wing — Our beloved friends Martha J Hodges of China Monthly Meeting and Anna D Wing of Rhode-Island Mo. Meeting attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials from their friends expressive of their unity with them as ministers and with their present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of this.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to

Rep. to Qu. M g. — which service we appoint Philip Anthony Wm Gifford John Howland, Sands Wing & Josiah Holmes Jr.

Complaint Thos. Wall — The Overseers inform thro New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Thomas Wall has married contrary to the discipline with one who is not in membership with us. Joseph Davis and Saml Taber are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

R B Howland removed — A removal certificate being requested to Scipio Monthly Meeting New York on behalf of Robert B. Howland — Wm C Taber and Wm Penn Howland

6mo 1847 are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting

Pardon Tripp ack. recd. The Committee appointed in the 4th month 1847 to visit Pardon Tripp on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report - which with his acknowledgement - was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is accordingly retained in membership with us and Daniel Davis

Infm to Dan is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Pardon Tripp, on account of his deviation in marriage, to a good degree of satisfaction. He appeared sincere in his attachment to Society and we think it would be safe to continue him a member; - which we submit to the meeting

Sands Wing
Fairhaven 6mo 2 1847 Josiah Holmes Jr

To the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford

Having transgressed a rule of Society in marrying contrary thereto I sincerely wish Friends would pass it by and retain me a member under their care

Fairhaven 6mo 2, 1847 Pardon Tripp

H. Rodman disowned We unite with the womens meeting in disowning Hannah Rodman as a member of our religious Society.

Attest - Wm C Taber Clerk

7mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 22 1847

Representatives from New Bedford George Wing and Rufus Shearman - Longplain Daniel Davis and Sands Wing who are all present.

J. H. Vining visit Our esteemed friend Jacob H Vining of Swansey Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements:- His company and religious services have

7 Mo 1847 been acceptable to us and the Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Complaint B. Delano The Overseers inform this Longplain Preparative Meeting that Barnabas Delano who some years since removed to Illinois and who we are informed now resides near Salem in Iowa has married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member:— Josiah Holmes 2 and Wm C Taber are appointed to forward this information to the Monthly Meeting within the limits of which he may reside, and request their care in the case, if there be any such and if not to communicate with the individual by letter on the subject of the complaint and report to a future meeting.

R B Howland removed A removal certificate to Scipio Monthly Meetg on behalf of Robert B Howland is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Committee on Collection report The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting the ensuing year presented the Treasurers receipt for eleven hundred dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

D A Dewolf disowned The Committee appointed in the 5th month last to visit Daniel A Dewolf on account of his deviation in marriage presented the following report which having been read and considered was accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and George Wing is named to inform him hereof.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

" Agreeably to appointment we have visited Daniel A Dewolf but have not found him disposed or in our judgment ~~disposed~~ in a suitable state of mind to make friends satisfaction for his deviation in marriage and believing that further labor from us will not be useful we submit the case to the Monthly Meeting

New Bedford 7mo 22, 1847

Philip Anthony
George Wing

and to do good one unto another; and that they who have known this love shed abroad in their hearts, cannot fail to feel it flow unto others, producing a spirit of forgiveness towards those who have trespassed against us, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven us. The injunction of our Lord, of universal application, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them," was very feelingly held up to view as the rule that should at all times govern us in our intercouse with our fellow men. The right training of our children was pertinently dwelt upon, and its necessity enforced as essential to their good, and to the discharge of the responsibility resting upon parents towards those whom our Heavenly Father has entrusted to our care. We were reminded that, by indulging in a mistaken tenderness, we were inflicting a serious injury upon our offspring; but that as we were engaged to exercise parental authority in love, it would prove a discipline to our children, by which they might be incited more carefully to heed the requirements of their Heavenly Parent; and habits of obedience be established which would be preserving in their future course of life. Finally, both parents and children were affectionately entreated to observe their respective relative duties, that thus they might witness the dew of Heaven to rest upon them.

Adjourned to the fourth hour this afternoon.

Afternoon. Friends again assembled.

The Meeting proceeded in the consideration of the state of Society, by reading the remaining answers to the queries. While thus engaged, we thankfully acknowledge that a precious, solemn covering was felt to be mercifully extended over us. A living concern was manifested for the preservation of our members from the reading of pernicious books, which are at this day so abundant in the world; and for their encouragement in the frequent, reverent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, in accordance with the continued concern of this Society since its first rise, and which was so eminently exhibited, practically, by our forefathers in the truth. We were affectionately reminded that they who are most carefully engaged to follow the direct and immediate leadings of the Spirit of Truth, most highly reverence and value these sacred writings, which were given forth by the same Spirit, and which have been so marvellously preserved, pure and unmutilated, to the present day, and which are able to make wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. Parents were affectionately encouraged often to assemble their families for the purpose of reading a portion of the Holy Scriptures, and in silent introversion of mind, and with prayerful hearts meditating thereon, that their precious contents may be opened to our understandings and blessed to us. We were entreated not to be taken in that snare of the enemy which is laid for us, by inducing us to neglect this practice from fear of being found in a lifeless formality in its maintenance; but that while we should guard, with godly jealousy, against this error on the one hand, we were impressively reminded that we might err on the other hand, and neglect the observance of those necessary practices which are essential to our Christian advancement, and which are in the ordering of Him who knows our necessities, and who has so abundantly provided for them.

A proposition contained in the report of Fairfield Quarterly Meeting, relative to the expenses incurred by the Yearly Meeting, being brought into consideration, the subject is referred to the representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings, who are requested to report to a future sitting.

At a subsequent sitting, the representatives made the following report, which was satisfactory to the Meeting, viz:

The representatives to whom was referred the proposition from Fairfield Quarterly Meeting in relation to the expenses of the Yearly Meeting, have conferred together thereon, and have come to the conclusion to propose to the Yearly Meeting the adoption of the following minute—the provisions of which are the same as those of the minute made by the Meeting for Sufferings in the year 1830—and with only a slight alteration in the language to render its meaning more explicit, viz:—Such Friends as are of ability, who attend the Yearly Meeting, should bear their own expenses—but those who may not consider themselves able to do so, who reside north of a line from Boston, running west to the Connecticut River, be at liberty to avail themselves of such provision as may be made by this Meeting; and that Friends of the island of Nantucket, and the representatives from all the Quarterly Meetings, shall be included in the provision made for those north of the line above mentioned in the same circumstances.

On behalf of the Representatives,
STEPHEN A. CHASE.

Sixth month 16th, 1847.

Among the exercises which have been with us during our deliberations at this time, has been a concern for the consistent and upright maintenance by all our members of our testimony to the unchristian nature of all wars and fightings—a testimony in accordance with the belief and practice of the primitive followers of Christ. We are liable at this time to some peculiar temptations on this account. Our country is involved in war with a neighboring nation, and armies are contending in the field; and the testimony of the Scripture, that "every battle of the warrior is with confused noise and garments rolled in blood," is brought home to us by frequent intelligence from the scene of strife. We earnestly desire that all our dear friends may be mercifully preserved in a Christian frame of mind under these trying circumstances.

To the humble follower of Him whose kingdom is not of this world, but who, as a stranger and pilgrim here, is journeying towards another country, that is, a heavenly—how do the destruction and horrors of the field of battle, or the city made desolate by an encompassing foe, the tears of the widow and the cries of the orphan, fill his mind with sorrow! He can have no sentiment allied to rejoicing at scenes like these. His soul must be clothed with mourning and his spirit with lamentation, and his prayers will be, that that day may be hastened when the nations shall learn war no more.

Our dear friends are affectionately entreated to be careful how they expose themselves unnecessarily to temptations calculated to lead the mind from a right frame of thought on these subjects; or by mingling with those who take delight in such strife, become in any measure leavened into their spirit; that in all our intercourse with the world, we may manifest ourselves to be followers of Him whose advent was announced by the song of the heavenly host, of peace on earth and good will to men.

In contemplating the present war in which our country is engaged, its exceeding wickedness has been forcibly presented to us, not only in its direct consequences as a war, but in the principal object, which, as we believe, produced it, namely, the perpetuation and extension of slavery. We have been concerned that our members may keep ever before them the miseries and sinfulness inseparable from the practice of holding our fellow-men in bondage, and its utter inconsistency with the command of Christ, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them"; and that we fail not, faithfully, in the fear of the Lord, to bear our testimony against it, not feeling excused therefrom in consequence of its practical enactment not coming immediately before our view in this part of our land.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY,
Clerk to the Meeting this year.

Note.—Benajah Buffum is appointed correspondent for Berwick Monthly Meeting, in place of John D. Lang, removed from within the limits of that Meeting.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, in the sixth month, 1847,—The Clerk was directed to forward the following Extracts from our Minutes to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, viz :—

The Committee to superintend our Boarding School at Providence, presented the following report, which was approved by this Meeting and directed to be forwarded to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, viz :

To the Yearly Meeting :

The Committee appointed to have the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, report, that they have during the past year given attention to their appointment, and are encouraged to believe, that the Institution continues to be useful.

The average number of scholars has been eighty-five, viz : forty-two males and forty-three females.

Our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson, have acceptably served as Superintendents during the year ending with the last winter term; and Charles Atherton, Samuel Austin and Edward G. Hoag, have been engaged as teachers in the boys' school, and Mary Atherton and Gertrude E. Whittier as teachers in that of the girls for the same time. Elizabeth Prosser has also been an assistant teacher in the girls' school during the winter term.

The Superintendents having expressed their desire to be released at the end of the last winter term, and the Committee believing that usefulness would arise from an arrangement which would unite with the general care and oversight of the Institution as Superintendents, that of taking the general government and direction of the schools, and imparting literary instruction therein, to such extent as may be consistent with the other duties of Superintendents, we have engaged our friends Silas Cornell and Sarah M. Cornell of Rochester, New York, to come into the Institution in that capacity, and assume those duties.

Charles Atherton, Edward G. Hoag, and Richard Dame, are engaged as assistant teachers in the boys' school, (the latter giving instruction in the languages,) and Gertrude E. Whittier and Sarah Alice Cornell, as assistant teachers in the girls' school, for a part or the whole of the present year.

As our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell could not consistently with their previous engagements, commence their connection with the Institution until the present time, the former Superintendents kindly consented to remain, temporarily, after their previous engagement expired—and the former arrangements in the schools have mostly been continued since the commencement of the present term.

The change of Superintendents and the arrangements with respect to the principal charge of the school is now about to take place; and the friends who have for several years occupied the station of Superintendents being about to leave, seems a fitting occasion to express for their encouragement, the satisfaction of the Committee with their labors.

These labors were increased during the latter part of the last year, by more than usual indisposition among the scholars.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the House, except during the vacations, and harmony has prevailed. On the days of Providence Preparative Meeting, the meetings at the school have been omitted, in accordance with the consent of the Yearly Meeting last year.

Examinations of the schools by the Committee, at the close of each term, have been made, as has been heretofore practised, and the deportment and proficiency of the scholars have been generally satisfactory, evincing a good degree of aptitude and diligence on the part of the pupils, and faithfulness on the part of the teachers.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled. By these accounts it appears, that the income of the school for the year ending with the last winter term, has been $10,836 07, and the expenditures $12,136 54 ; the expenditures having exceeded the receipts by the sum of $1300 47. Seven hundred dollars of this excess, arises from the payment within the year of a demand against the Institution of several years standing.

The amount of expenditures exceeding the income, has been supplied from the balance on hand at the commencement of the year; and being deducted therefrom, leaves a balance on hand at the close of the last term, of $1858 05.

We would propose that the price of board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz : Thirty dollars per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for those of other Yearly Meetings, payable in advance—books and stationery being furnished as at present.

We would also propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense for one term, the same to be occupied, either at the next winter or succeeding summer term, at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting—the several Monthly Meetings to notify the Committee at their meeting in the 10th month, of their conclusion, in case they propose to occupy the privilege in the summer term.

The Committee feel it right to express their belief, that there are advantages to be derived to the youth of our society at the school, which should serve as an encouragement to Friends to place their children there, that they may acquire a guarded religious education, free from many of the temptations to which they are necessarily exposed in more mixed schools, especially those over which Friends have little or no control.

And we would earnestly press upon Friends the importance to the society of a continued individual interest in the welfare of the Institution, in whose endowment and management such lively concern has been menifested by valuable Friends who are now gathered to their rest.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee,

STEPHEN A. CHASE, *Clerk.*

Providence, 6th month 1st, 1847.

Third day morning, the 15th. Friends convened pursuant to adjournment. The representatives being called, were all present.

The Meeting entered upon the investigation of the state of society by reading the Queries and Answers to them received at this time from our several Quarterly Meetings, and proceeded therein as far as the 4th inclusive. During this important engagement we were sensibly solemnized in feeling together, and under the baptizing influence of Divine love, much pertinent counsel and advice were given by concerned brethren. We were impressively reminded of the paramount duty of meeting together for the worship of our Father in heaven, not only on first day of the week, but on other days when a greater sacrifice may seem to be required. We were admonished to remember the source from whence proceed all our blessings ; that it is from God alone that we derive all that we are permitted to enjoy, whether spiritual or temporal ; that it is in Him we live, and move, and have our being. We were exhorted to hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, being concerned to provoke one another to love and good works, and not neglect the assembling of ourselves together. Much sympathy was manifested for Friends in lonely situations, where their meetings are very small ; but they were earnestly exhorted to faithfulness in the attendance of them—that although they may be frequently held in silence, yet, as we are engaged to wait upon the Lord, they often prove seasons of refreshment. Concerned Friends were encouraged to labor faithfully with those who may be remiss in the discharge of this and other Christian duties, although it may be under a sense of much weakness ; that, while they may feel their own unworthiness, they fail not to do what is required at their hands by the Head of the Church, by sinking below the gifts he has conferred upon them. Friends were encouraged to leave their worldly occupations, to close their places of business if needful, in order for the due attendance of our week-day meetings, under an awful sense that He, unto whom worship is due, may even curse our blessings. We were very impressively exhorted to watch the door of our lips, that we sin not with our tongues ; that, under a sense of our own frailties, we cultivate charity towards others, and scrupulously avoid indulging in a spirit of detraction, which tends to our own poverty and the injury of our fellow men. We were reminded that, as God is love, and as his love has been so abundantly manifested to us, in that He gave his well beloved Son for us, that it is indeed incumbent upon us to love one another, 7 mo 1847 The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Minutes of Y. M. rec'd

Printed copies of the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were received at this time and were directed to be distributed among our members. Extracts from the minutes of the same meeting and an article of discipline on the subject of marriage were also received and the reading of them deferred to our next Monthly Meeting

P. S. Delano Cert rec'd

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Mtg on behalf of Phebe S. Delano wife of Elnathan E Delano.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

8 mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8 mo 26 1847 Representatives from New Bedford Abner Davis, and Edmund Gardner — Longplain Richard Davis, and John Wood who are all present.

Cert. for H. Bakers

A removal certificate having been requested to Arch Street Monthly Meeting Philadelphia on behalf of Henry Baker a minor _ Charles R Tucker and Matthew Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Complaint H. S. Howland

The Overseers inform through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Henry S. Howland has married contrary to the Discipline with one not in profession with us — Philip Anthony and Elisha Thornton are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

A Complaint from the Overseers through the same meeting against John W. Taber is referred to ~~the same~~ our next Monthly Mtg.

M W Oliver disowned

We unite with the Womens meeting in disowning Mary W. Oliver late Tripp as a member of our religious Society she having married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

8 mo 1847 Joseph Davis, Rufus Sherman, Sands Wing

Com. to propose Overseers — and Wm R Taber are appointed to present to our next Monthly Meeting the names of such friends as they may think suitable to act as overseers of this meeting for the ensuing year.

The friend named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform Daniel A Durfee of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.

Minutes of Y.y M.g — Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee and a summary of some of the exercises of that meeting were read at this time to our satisfaction:

The privilege of sending one scholar to the Boarding School at Providence for one term free of expense being continued to each Monthly Meeting the friends on the Committee of Education for this Monthly Meeting are requested to select a suitable child to occupy that privilege. –

Alt: Discipline — An article of Discipline adopted by our last Yearly Meeting on the subject of marriage was read at this time and the clerk is directed to cause the same to be inserted in the Books of Discipline belonging to this Monthly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

9 mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9 mo 23, 1847 Representatives from New Bedford Matthew Howland & Elisha Thornton — Longplain Sands Wing & Cornelius Macomber who are all present.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was compiled and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Josiah Holmes,

Rep. to Q.y M.g — Philip Anthony, Edmund Gardner & Wm R Taber.

Complaint — The following complaint referred from our last

Joh W Taber — Monthly Meeting being read and considered. John Howland and Charles R. Tucker were appointed to correspond with John W. Taber on the subject of the complaint

9mo 1847 and report the result at a future meeting.

Complaint

The Overseers inform that John W Taber who has for several years resided in the State of Illinois has married contrary to the order of our Society with one not a member.

New Bedford 8mo 18 1847

Esther Hammet disowned — We unite with the Womens Meeting in disowning Esther Hammet late Macomber as a member of our religious Society she having married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

H. Baker removed — A removal certificate to (Philadelphia ~~[illegible]~~) ~~Arch Street~~ Monthly Meeting of Friends ~~Philadelphia~~ on behalf of Henry Baker a minor is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Overseers appointed — The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to bring forward the names of friends to serve this meeting as Overseers proposed the following, viz. Amaziah Delano, Abm Davis, Josiah Holmes 2d, John Howland, Wm P. Howland, Rufus Shearman, Wm C Taber and Wm R Taber — which were united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

A Shearman 2d. B. Taber — Our friends Abm Shearman 2d and Barnd Taber who have very acceptably served this meeting in the capacity of Overseers for many years past — feeling the infirmaties of age are now released at their own request.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

0mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 28 1847 Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland and Henry T. Wood — Longplain Gideon Wood and William Davis who are all present.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended

10 Mo 1847 William Bradford requests a certificate on account
W. Bradford of marriage to Salem Monthly Meeting – Charles R.
Tucker and Joseph Taber are appointed to take the
necessary care in the case and report to our next
Monthly Meeting.

London The London General epistle of the present year
Epistle was read at this time and ~~&~~ copied & are directed to be distributed
among our members. The advice and counsel therein
Contained is very satisfactory and edifying to us and
the regard and concern evinced by our distant brethren
for the welfare of the Church meets with our warmest
Sympathy. # Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

11 Mo 1847 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11 Mo 25 1847
Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and
Philip Anthony – Longplain John Wood and Cornelius
Macomber who are all present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers
from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a Summary
of which was approved and directed to be forwarded
to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives, to
Rep. to which service we appoint George Wing, Joseph Taber, Francis
Qr. Mg. Bowman and Elnathan E Delanos.

W. Brafard A Certificate on account of marriage to Salem
Cert. Marriage Monthly Meeting on behalf of Wm Bradford is approved.

T. Wall The Committee appointed in the 6th month last
ack rec'd to visit Thomas Wall on account of his deviation in
marriage presented the following report and acknowledgment
which after being read and considered were accepted
and having the concurrence of the womens meeting he is
accordingly continued in membership with us and
William C Taber is named to inform him thereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreably to our appointment we have visited
Thomas Wall in consequence of his deviation in marriage
to a good degree of satisfaction. We believe him to be
sincere in his desire that the offence may be passed by

11mo 1847 and he continued a member of our religious Society which we submit to the judgment of the meeting

New Bedford
11mo 23 1847
Saml Taber
Joseph Davis

To the Monthly Meeting

Having deviated from the order and discipline of the Society in marriage I request that it may be so far passed by that I may be continued in membership

New Bedford 11mo 1847
Thomas Wall

Rochester Committee The Committee appointed to visit the meeting at Rochester presented the following report which was read and considered and with the concurrence of the womens meeting was accepted, And the Meeting is accordingly continued another year to be held as heretofore under the care of a Committee. The Committee now under appointment to have the care of that meeting are continued on the same service and are requested to report in the 11th month next.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit the meeting at Rochester report that most of their number have occasionally attended that meeting to a good degree of satisfaction and they have been encouraged to believe that usefulness will result from its being continued as heretofore held under the care of a committee

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
10mo 28, 1847
Joseph Davis
Susan Howland

Names of the Committee

Abraham Shearman Jr, Sands Wing Abm Davis, Joseph Davis, Saml Taber Wm Tallman, Benjn Swift Amaziah Delano, John R Davis, John Howland, George Howland, Wm R. Taber, Wm C Taber Elnathan Delano Richard Davis, Charles R. Tucker, Henry T. Wood.

11mo 1847

Lydia Dexter rec'd. We unite with the Womens Meeting in receiving Lydia Dexter into membership with us.

Anna Allyne disowned. We also unite with the Womens Meeting in disowning Anna Allyne late Eddy as a member of our religious Society.

W Hamblin Cert: rec'd. A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of William Hamblin a minor is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

M S Tripp Disowned. We unite with the Womens Meeting in disowning Mary S. Tripp as a member of our religious Society.

proposition from Select Mg. A proposition was received at this time from the Select Meeting for the appointment of Ann H. Wing and Deborah Shearman to the Station of Elders which was referred for further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

12mo 1847. At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 23d 1847

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner and Daniel Davis — Longplain Williams Davis and Wm R. Taber who are all present.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

App: of Elders. The subject of the appointment of Elders referred from our last Monthly Meeting being again brought before us; after a time of solid consideration, the way not opening for our proceeding satisfactorily in the cases presented to us at this time it was concluded to refer them back to the womens meeting.

Joint Comt. on the App: of Elders. Wm P. Howland, Joseph Davis Wm C. Taber, Charles R Tucker, Daniel Davis, Abm Davis Elnathan E Delano and Josiah Holmes 2d are appointed to unite with a similar committee of the womens meeting to take into consideration the situation of the different meetings composing this Monthly Meeting with ~~respect~~ reference to the appointment of Elders in each meeting that the advices of our Discipline in this respect may be complied with

12mo 1847 and to report the names of such friends as they may deem suitable to fill that Station when way may open for it in the Truth.

L.T. Conner disowned We unite with the womens meeting in disowning Lydia T Conner late Tillinghast as a member of our religious Society, she having married out of the order of our Society with one who is not a member.

Auditing Committe Philip Anthony, and Wm P Howland are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain what sum is necessary to be raised for the Service of this meeting the ensuing year and to propose a friend to serve as Treasurer — to report to our next Monthly Meeting. Attest Wm C Taber, Clerk

mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1mo 27 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Rufus Sherman & Seth K Akin — Longplain Josiah Holmes 2nd and Sands Wing who are all present except one whose absence we are informed was occasioned by indisposition.

Complaint G R Taber The Overseers inform through New Bedford Preparative Meeting that George R. Taber has married contrary to the order of our Society with one who is not a member — William Gifford and Rufus Sherman are appointed to visit him on this account and report to a future meeting.

John Hoskins A removal certificate being requested to ~~[illegible]~~ Muncy ~~[illegible]~~ Monthly Meeting, State of Pennsylvania on behalf of John Hoskins, — Charles R Tucker and William C. Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Auditing Committee report The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts presented the following report which was read and accepted and in compliance therewith it is concluded

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Mo 1848 to raise the sum of nine hundred dollars for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and Willia C Taber is reappointed Treasurer for the year ensuin or until another appointment.

Committee on Collection Matthew Howland, Henry T. Wood John Wood Joseph R. Wing, Wm R. Taber and Edwd W Howland are appointed to receive the subscriptions of friends for the amount proposed to be raised and to present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplished.

Report.

Report. ~~To the~~ To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to appointment we have examined and settled the Treasurers accounts and find a balance due him of thirty dollars.

We also find that about one thousand dollars will probably be wanted to meet the demands on the Treasury the ensuing year but being informed by the Executor of the Will of our late friend Abraham Shearma that he has made a donation to this Monthly Meeting of twenty Shares of Bank Stock the income from which was directed by the will to be applied to the current expenses of the Meeting and will be available this year we therefore propose that the sum of nine hundred doll be raised in the usual manner for the service of the Meeting. We also propose the appointment of William C. Taber as Treasurer.

New Bedford Philip Anthony
Mo 20, 1848 On behalf of the Committee

Minute of 27 Mo 9. By a minute of our Quarterly Meeting we are informed that that Meeting has concluded to raise the sum of six hundred dollars;—our proportion of which is two hundred seventy dollars, which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that Meeting. proportion of Stock

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

2m° 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2m° 24 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford and Giles E Stanton — Longplain Wm R Taber and Richard Davis who are all present.

Geo Wood Removal A removal certificate being requested to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of George Wood, we appoint Wm P Howland & Matthew Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Com: Sandwich The following communication was received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting and after being read and considered Francis Bowman Henry Hussell & Joseph Taber were appointed to visit ~~him~~ Moses C. Swift, the friend named in the Com: on the subject of the complaint and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

"To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear friends

We have received the annexed complaint against Moses C Swift now residing within your limits, which we forward to you, requesting your assistance in extending to him the necessary labor on our behalf.

From Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1m° 7, 1848

Newell Hoxie Clerk

"To Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends

This may inform that Moses C Swift has so far deviated from the rules of our Society as to marry with one not in membership with us, on which account there has been no opportunity to bestow labor

Falmouth
12m° 30, 1847

Jonathan Boyce
Barnabas Bowman } Overseers"

Clerks app° The time for which the Clerk and Assistant Clerk ~~of this~~ were appointed having expired William C Taber is reappointed Clerk and Charles R. Tucker Assistant Clerk of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment. —

2mo 1848

Will of A. Shearman Dona

20 Shares B C Bank Stock

12 Shares Merchants Bank.

Library

By the following Extracts from the will of our late friend Abraham Shearman Jr we are informed that he has bequeathed to this Monthly Meeting twenty Shares of the Capital Stock of the Bedford Commercial Bank, the income of which is directed to be always appropriated toward the Support of the poor and defraying the ordinary expenses of this meeting. That he has also bequeathed twelve Shares of the Stock of the Merchants Bank in New Bedford to this Monthly Meeting the income of which is to be appropriated toward defraying the expense of education in useful learning of children of members of this meeting who are in moderate or straitened circumstances. — And that he has also directed that one copy of all Books, the writings of Friends of which he was possessed at the time of his death and which had not a place in the Library of New Bedford Preparative Meeting should be given to this Monthly Meeting to be added to the Library of the aforesaid Preparative Meeting.

Committee on donan to promote Education

These donations evincing as they do the continued concern of our late beloved friend for the welfare of our religious Society and a desire on his part to promote the guarded education of the Children of friends are very acceptable to this meeting and the overseers are directed to receive the transfers of the several parcels of Bank Stock and hold the same on behalf of this meeting and pay over the income thereof in conformity with the wishes of the donor. Charles R. Tucker, Joseph Taber, George Howland Jr, Wm R Taber, & Richard Davis are appointed a Committee to take charge of the income of the fund for educational purposes and to expend the same as directed in the will of our deceased friend and they are requested to report to this meeting in the 2d month next.

The Clerk of New Bedford Preparative Meeting is directed to receive the books bequeathed to this meeting and place them in the Library of New Bedford Preparative Meeting.

[illegible] 1848 By article 15th of the same Will it also appears that he has bequeathed to the overseers of this Monthly Meeting in special trust fifteen Shares of Stock of the Merchants Bank in New Bedford the income of which is directed to be expended for charitable purposes under the care of a joint Committee of men and women friends. The aforesaid
Committee on donation for charitable purposes Clause having been read and considered the following friends viz. George Howland Henry T. Wood William Gifford Edwd W. Howland and William C. Taber were named to receive the income from the fund and to expend it in conformity with the directions of the donor — to make report to this meeting in the 2d month next.

Removal Cert. for Jno Haskins A removal certificate to ~~[illegible]~~ Almays Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Hoskins is approved and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Recorders appd Charles R. Tucker is reappointed Recorder and Wm C. Taber and Richard Davis Assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or till another appointment.

Extracts from the Will of our late friend
Abraham Shearman Jr.

Article 13th To the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends with which I have been and am now connected I give devise and bequeath twenty shares of the Capital Stock of the Bedford Commercial Bank the dividends and income of which only are to be used by said Monthly Meeting and to be always appropriated by said meeting toward defraying the expense of the maintenance of the Poor of said Meeting and other ordinary expenses thereof.

To the said Monthly Meeting of Friends, I also give devise and bequeath for the purposes hereinafter mentioned twelve shares of the Capital Stock of the Merchants Bank in New Bedford, the dividends and income of which shall be appropriated under the direction of said Monthly Meeting toward defraying the expense of education in useful learning of

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Extracts from A Shearman's Will

of children of members of said Monthly Meeting who are in moderate or straitened circumstances; and it is my desire that preference should be given to the children of such parents as are concerned that they should receive a guarded education; and further that preference should be given to schooling at the Yearly Meetings Boarding School at Providence; but not so as wholly to confine it there should it *occasionally* be thought best to contribute to the expense of schooling at home.

And should there at any time be a deficiency of those in said New Bedford Monthly Meeting who are willing to avail themselves of the aid thus intended, then said meeting by its committee may expend the whole or any part of the dividends and income of said twelve shares that may remain unappropriated in extending similar aid to children of members of the neighbouring Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth and Westport, at their discretion; it being my desire that the income may as nearly as practicable, be annually expended. Should it hereafter be considered advisable by said Monthly Meeting to dispose of either or both of said parcels of Bank Stock and to invest the proceeds in some other ways that may appear more eligible, I hereby give and grant to said Meeting full power and authority to sell and transfer the same, and from time to time to transfer the investment as to said Meeting may seem expedient, the subject of such change to be always first deliberately considered by a committee specially appointed for that purpose; the new investments of the proceeds of said parcels of Stock to be kept distinct and separate from each other and from all other investments; and the income only to be used for the purposes aforesaid and the principal sums always to be kept good, unavoidable losses only excepted.

I desire it however to be distinctly understood that the two before named legacies to the New Bedford Monthly Meeting are *in trust* and are made strictly subject to the following *condition* and *proviso* and I hereby

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Extracts
from
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Will

declare it to be my will, that should there cease, from want of sufficient members reputably to constitute such meeting, or from any other cause cease to be a Monthly Meeting of Friends held within the limits of New Bedford Monthly Meeting as now constituted in unity with the Yearly Meetg. of Friends for New England with which I am associated and of which I have acted as Clerk for upwards of twenty years, in such event, which I ardently desire may never occur, the said bequest to the New Bedford Monthly Meeting shall cease and terminate as to said meeting and the members thereof, and not permitting myself to doubt but that, through the mercy of Him who has hitherto been our Protector and Preserver, notwithstanding our many backslidings there *will* continue and remain to be a remnant of Friends preserved in the New England States who *will* continue to hold a Yearly Meeting as at present, for the orderly conducting of the concerns of Society, the maintenance of its principles as recognized and set forth in "the Testimony of Friends on the Continent of America" approved by said Yearly Meeting in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty, — and for the edification of each other in love, and who will continue in unity with their brethren of the other Ancient Yearly Meetings of Friends professing the same principles; — it is further my Will and I hereby direct that the persons having the aforesaid legacies under their care at the time when there shall so cease to be a Monthly Meeting of Friends held as aforesaid in unity with such Yearly Meeting, shall pay over or transfer to the Treasurer for the time being of such Yearly Meeting, the aforesaid parcels of Stock or the proceeds thereof or the securities therefor in full unavoidable losses only excepted; and the said Treasurer and his successors in office shall hold the same for the use of and subject to the direction and management of said Yearly Meeting; with the understanding that it is my will that the income from one half of the amount thus paid over or transferred shall be used toward defraying the ordinary and current expenses of said Yearly

Meeting

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Extracts from A. Shearman's Will

Meeting and the income of the other half for the benefit of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence; the principal Sums always to be kept good, unavoidable accidents only excepted.

To the said New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends I also give and bequeath one copy of all Books the writings of Friends, which I may die possessed of, that have not already a place in the New Bedford Preparative Meeting Library, (including a set of the "Friend") to be added to said Library.

Article 15th As there are in a community like this many industrious persons, and particularly females widows and others, who, for want of health or other causes, find themselves in circumstances so straitened as to be unable to provide for themselves the comforts of life, without some occasional assistance, I am induced by feelings of sympathy for such to give and I do give devise and bequeath to the Overseers of the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends and their Successors in Office forever (except as hereinafter provided) fifteen Shares of the Capital Stock of the Merchants Bank in New Bedford, in *special trust* for the purpose of relieving persons of the above named class; and said overseers are hereby authorised and requested to receive the dividends and income of said Stock or the proceeds thereof and to pay the same over to such Committee as said Monthly Meeting may appoint to receive the same; and the amount of said dividends and income shall be annually distributed by said Committee (which it would be most agreeable to me should be a joint-committee of men and women friends) among persons of the above named description residing in the Town of New Bedford without regard to religious denomination, and in sums not exceeding twelve dollars per annum to any one person thus assisted; the accounts of which Committee shall be annually audited by a committee appointed for that purpose. And I hereby give to the said overseers and their successors in office the same power and authority by and with the advice and concent

2mo 1848 Extract from J. Freeman's Will

of the said Monthly Meeting in regard to change of investment as is provided for in the thirteenth clause of this my last will and testament the principal sums always to be kept good unavoidable losses excepted. And I hereby declare this bequest to be subject to the same condition and proviso as are attached to the said thirteenth clause; with the further understanding and proviso that should the New Bedford Monthly Meeting at any time decline or neglect the care of this fund; or should there ever cease to be a Monthly Meeting held as aforesaid as set forth in said thirteenth clause; then and in either such case I hereby authorise and request the overseers of the Poor for the Town of New Bedford or their successors in Office, to nominate and appoint suitable persons from time to time to take charge of this fund, and to distribute the income thereof, in conformity with my intentions herein expressed and to be accountable to said Overseers of the poor annually for their doings in relation to the same; and I hereby give to the persons who may be appointed as aforesaid all necessary power and authority to hold and manage the same.

Article 16th I hereby direct my Executor hereinafter named to lay before the New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends above-named, the several clauses of this my last will and testament relating to said Meeting within one month after the same shall have been approved by the Court of Probate. × × × × × × × × × × × × × ×

And it is my earnest desire that if any thing herein contained should be too indefinately expressed or any want of legal precision should be found my Executor and all others concerned may conform to what is evidently my true intent and meaning.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

3mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 23, 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Mathew Howland — Longplain Gideon Wood & Cornelius Macomber who are all present.

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the

3mo 1848 the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives to which service we appoint Josiah Holmes 2, Geo. Howland John Howland and Elisha Thornton.

M. F. Berry disowned — We unite with the Womens Meeting in disowning Mercy F. Berry late Kelley as a member of our religious Society she having married out of the order of our Soci with one who is not a member.

M N Folger disowned — We also unite with the Womens Meeting in disowning Mary N Folger late Bailey as a member of our religious Society for the same deviation from our disciplin

S. Howlands visit to G. Britain &c — Our beloved friend Susan Howland in a weighty manner spread before this meeting a concern that had for some time impressed her mind to pay a visit in gospel love to Friends of the Yearly Meetings of London and Dublin and also to the few friends on the Continent of Europe if way should open for it in the Truth. After a time of solid consideration much unity and sympathy were expressed with her herein we have believed it right and a willingness was manifested that she thereby might be set at liberty to proceed ~~herein~~ in the concern as best wisdom might direct — she being a minister in unity with us.

R. Davis to Swansey — Our beloved friend Ruth Davis also informed the meeting that she had felt it required of her to unite with our friend Mary Shove in visiting the families of friends composing Swansey Monthly Meeting — The concern was fully united with by this meeting and she set at liberty to pursue her prospect as Truth may open the way she being a minister in unity with us.

Charles R Tucker, Joseph Davis & John Howland are appointed to assist the clerk in preparing suitable certificates embracing the substance of the foregoing minutes and the concern of this meeting relative to the above named friends.

J. Holmes 2 ministry approved — We are informed by a member of the Select Meeting that that Meeting had united in proposing to this meeting the approval of the public appearances in the ministry of

3 mo 1848 Josiah Holmes 2d. — After a time of solid consideration the proposition was united with by this and the Womens meeting and the case referred to the Quarterly Meeting for its concurrence.

Geo Wood removed — A removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Geo. Wood is approved.

Q. Mg Stock pd — We are informed that our proportion of Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meetg.

M. C. Swift — The Committee appointed last month to visit Moses C Swift in complyance with the request of Sandwich Monthly Meeting presented the following report which was accepted and the clerk is directed to forward it to that Monthly Meeting.

"To the Monthly Meeting

We have had several opportunities with Moses C Swift and although he manifested some regard for Friends and their principles he does not wish to retain his right of membership.

On behalf of the Committee
Joseph Taber"

4 mo 1848 At New Bedford monthly meeting held 4 mo 27. 1848. Representatives to this meeting from New Bedford Wm Gifford and Edmund Gardner - Longplain Elnathan E Delano and Richard Davis, who are all present.

The clerk of this meeting being absent Chas R Tucker is appointed clerk for the day.

s T. Almy committee — We are informed through New Bedford Preparative meeting that James T Almy totally neglects the attendance of our religious meetings and gives no encouragement of attending them in future - we appoint Geo Wing and Daniel Davis to visit him upon the subject of the complaint and report to a future meeting.

Removal certificates requested for Danl D Gifford & David C Gifford

4 Mo 1848 Removal certificates being requested for Daniel D Gifford and David C Gifford to Sandwich Monthly meeting, Henry T Wood & Wm Gifford are appointed to take the necessary care in each case respectively and report to a future meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report, that they all attended.

Overseers of the Poor

The time having expired for which the Overseers of the poor of this meeting were appointed, the friends now under appointment viz. Wm Tallman, John Howland, Elisha Thornton, Shadrack Davis, Daniel Davis, Philip Anthony, Wm Gifford & Sands Wing with the addition of Josiah Holmes Jr are appointed to that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment

Address from the School committee

A communication addressed to Mo meetings from the committee having the care of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, upon the subject of properly training our children at home, and particularly so, as it respects plainness of speech & apparel, was received and read, and is satisfactory to the meeting - the advice therein contained is reccommended to the consideration of friends.

Rhoda Kelley disowned

We unite with the womens meeting in disowning Rhoda Kelley as a member of our religious society she having joined herself with those who have seperated from us.

Richard Davis is appointed to unite with the committee appointed in the 1st mo to receive the subscriptions of friends for the use of this meeting the present year.

Attest Chas R Tucker, Clerk for the day

5th mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5th mo 25 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Tabor & Rufus Shearman — Longplain John Wood & Walter Davis who are all present.

D L Gifford D C Gifford removed Removal certificates to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel L. Gifford and David C. Gifford respectively were approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 1st month last to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for nine hundred dollars, the sum proposed to be raised.

Cert. recd P Davis We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phebe Davis and with the same meeting in accepting a similar certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting on behalf of Lydia Congdon.

J. T. Almy disowned The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to visit James T. Almy presented the following report which was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and Daniel Davis is named to inform him hereof.

M B Bradford Cert. recd We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of Mary B. Bradford wife of Wm Bradford.

R Davis returned minute Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned a minute furnished her in the 3d month last to pay a religious visit to the families of friends of Swansey Monthly Meeting and informed this meeting that she had been favored to perform the service required of her to the peace of her own mind and altho her health had been feeble she had been mercifully favoured to experience best help to be near — which is satisfactory to friends.

R Davis to Smithfield She also informed the meeting that she had a prospect of attending Smithfield Quarterly Meeting to be held in the eighth month next and of paying a religious visit to a part of the meetings and families of friends belonging to that Quarterly Meeting

Meeting. — Which concern claiming the solid consideratio of this meeting was fully united with and she left at lib to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct, she being a minister in unity and good esteem with us.

The clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embrac the substance of this.

To the Monthly Meeting

In pursuance of our appointment we have visited James T. Almy and find that he gives no encouragement of attending our meetings in future and that he has no wish to remain any longer in membership with us

New Bedford 5th mo 18, 1848
Geo. Wing
Daniel Davis

Copied Wm C. Taber Clerk

6mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 22, 1848

Representatives from New Bedford Wm P. Howland & Rufus Shearman — Longplain Elnathan E Delano & Daniel Knowles who are all present.

Chs Taber Our beloved friend Charles Taber attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from the Monthly Meeting of Farnham held 24th of 4th month last endorsed by the Quarterly Meeting of Ferrisburg held 10th of 5th month expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements — His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Jno Warren Our beloved friend John Warren also attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from Unity Monthly Meeting held 18th of 5th month last expressive of the unity of his friends with his ministry and present religious engagements — his company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Paul Southwick The company of our friends Paul Southwick of Peru Monthly Meeting companion to Charles Taber and
D. Warren Deborah Warren of Unity Monthly Meeting who accompanies her husband John Warren have been acceptable to us. They being in attendance at this time with minutes from their respective meetings.

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6mo 1848 The Clerk is directed to unite with the Clerk of the Womens Meeting in furnishing the above named friends with minutes embracing the substance of the preceding as they relate to each.

The Queries were read in this meeting with ~~and~~ answers from three of our Preparative Meetings which being considered as representing the state of this meeting so far as they extend were directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Edmund Gardner, Wm Howland, Wm R Taber and Thomas Wood.

Rep. to Quarterly Mtg

Geo Howland appointed an Elder

The Committee appointed in the 12th month last to propose the names of Friends to serve this Meeting in the station of Elders presented the following report which was accepted and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting Geo. Howland the friend named in the report is accordingly appointed to that Station if it meet the approbation of the Quarterly Meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed in the 12th month last to consider of and propose the names of such friends as might appear suitable to serve this meeting in the Station of Elders report that they have met several times to consult on the subject of their appointment and have agreed to propose the name of George Howland for that Station

On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford
6mo 22 1848

Wm C Taber
Hepsa Howland

Committee on memorials

William C. Taber, William P. Howland, Elisha Thornton, John Howland, William R Taber, Geo Howland Jr & Geo. Howland, Charles R Tucker, Richard Davis, Samuel Rodman, Josiah Holmes Jr, Elnathan E Delano & Joseph Davis are appointed to collect memorials of the living services and dying sayings of such ministers, elders and others who have been members of this monthly meeting whose lives have been

6mo 1848 remarkable for true piety and faithfulness agreeably to the advices of our discipline in this respect: – to report when their service is accomplished.

Commee on Funerals and Burial Grounds The Committee appointed to have the oversight of funerals and care of burials grounds presented the following report which was accepted and Sands Wing, John Howland, Wm C. Taber, Edmund Gardner, Wm H Taber & Thomas Wood are appointed to propose to our next monthly meeting the names of friends to have the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds for the year ensuing.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of Burial Grounds and oversight of funerals report that they have endeavoured to give attention to the appointment. Some of their number have attended all funerals that have been held under the care of friends. No change in monuments has taken place since the last report.

New Bedford
6mo 17, 1848

On behalf of the Committee
William R Taber
Charles R Tucker

The friend named to inform James T. Almy of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed him.

7mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 27, 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford, Edmund Gardner – Longplain Williams Davis, Jona Cowing who are all present. –

Thos. Wells Our beloved friend Thomas Wells attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from Miami Monthly Meeting, Ohio, endorsed by Miami Quarterly Meeting expressive of their unity with his ministry, and present religious engagements. – His company and gospel labors have been truly acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

By the following communication from our late ~~Yearly~~ Quarterly

7mo 1848 Meeting, it appears that our proportion of the sum necessary
24 19 to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year
Sixth is $292 50/100. which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting when the state of the Treasury will admit.

"At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Nantucket 7mo 6, 1848 It was concluded to raise six hundred fifty dollars for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and our several Monthly Meetings were requested to pay their proportions of that sum to our Treasurer.

New Bedford Monthly Meetings proportion of two hundred ninety two dollars fifty cents (45/00)

From the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting

Wm C Taber, Clerk"

R Davis minute from Swansey — A returning minute from Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of our beloved friend Ruth Davis expressive of their satisfaction with her religious services among them was received at this time and is acceptable to this meeting.

Com. from Sandwich — The following communication being received from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich we appoint Francis Bowman to give the information as requested and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

"Extract from the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meetg. of Friends held 5mo 5. 1848.

"The above report from New Bedford Monthly Meeting in the case of Moses C Swift being received and after a time of consideration under a desire for his return in the light of the Truth we are united in denying him the right of membership with us — the womens meeting concurring herein.

"And the Clerk is directed to forward the substance of this minute to that meeting requesting them to inform him of his denial and right of appeal."

Sewell Hoxie Clerk

To New Bedford Monthly
Meeting of Friends

Mattiah Gifford, Correspondent

7mo 1848 The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended except one for whose absence a reason was assigned that was satisfactory to that meeting.

Committee on Funerals &c appd. The committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to propose the names of friends to have the oversight of funerals and care of Burial Grounds presented the following, viz. Joseph Taber, Geo Howland Jr, Benjamin Swift, Charles R. Tucker, [illegible] Freeman, Wm. R. Howland, Wm. Gifford, Edwin Gardner, Henry T. Wood, John Davis, Sand. Wing, Richard Davis, Thomas A. Howland, Cornelius Macomber, Thomas Wood, Elnathan E. Delano, John Wood, Wm. R. Taber, & Josiah Holmes Jr. — which were approved and they are accordingly appointed to those services for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

Report Boarding School Comm. Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting embracing the report of the Boarding School Committee were received and read at this time to our satisfaction. The privilege of sending one scholar to the Boarding School at Providence for one term being continued to each Monthly Meeting we appoint Charles R. Tucker, Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr, Wm. R. Taber and Richard Davis to select a suitable child to occupy it on behalf of this meeting.

Comm. on admission to Board'g School Charles R. Tucker, Joseph Taber, Geo. Howland Jr Wm. R. Taber & Richard Davis are appointed to take the necessary care with regard to children about to enter the Boarding School at Providence and parents are requested to make seasonable application to them for certificates previous to their children being sent to that school.

S R Allen removed We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on behalf of Sarah R. Allen.

G Howland visit to G. Britain &c Our beloved friend George Howland informed this meeting that he had felt it right for him to attend his wife Susan Howland on her passage across the Atlantic and to accompany her during part or the whole of her proposed religious visit to Europe. This concern claimed the solid consideration of the meeting and much unity

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode-Island in the Sixth month, 1848.

The Committee having charge of our Boarding School, presented the following Report, which was interesting and satisfactory to this Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

"*To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England.*

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence, have, during the past year, attended to the duties of their appointment.

The School has been continued through the year (with the usual vacations) under the charge of Silas and Sarah M. Cornell, as Superintendents and principal Teachers.

During the Summer Term, we had the services of Charles Atherton and Edward G. Hoag as assistant Teachers in the male department of the school, and Lafayette Burr, a young man connected with Brown University, has, through the year, given lessons in the Latin and Greek languages for five days in the week, to a class in this school. Richard Dame has also assisted in teaching the languages during part of the time. In the Girls' School, Gertrude E. Whittier and Sarah Alice Cornell served as Teachers.

During the Winter Term, in the Boys' School, the same teachers remained, and the school being large, Lindley M. Moore was engaged as assistant teacher in addition.

Martha M. Haines, Sarah Joy Brown and Sarah Alice Cornell, were assistant teachers in the Girls' School during the same Term.

In addition to the Monthly Meetings of the Committee, and intermediate visits by sub-committees regularly appointed at these meetings for that service, semi-annual examinations at the close of each term, have been attended by the Committee; that at the close of the Summer Term being also attended by a number of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on education.

Our several examinations in these various forms, have been in general satisfactory. The Friends in the immediate care of the Institution, as superintendents, teachers, or in the more subordinate stations, have evinced a careful regard for the good of the School, and a concern for the faithful performance of their duties to their interesting charge, which have been satisfactory to the Committee.

Of the scholars, both male and female, we may say, that generally their deportment has been orderly, and their attention to their studies and improvement therein commendable—and we are encouraged to believe that the school has continued to be useful, in promoting the literary advancement of the scholars—and favorable, under the Divine blessing, to the awakening and strengthening of good resolutions for a consistent course in after life.

The average number of scholars has been one hundred and one, viz.: fifty-five males, and forty-six females.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the times appointed—and the family has been preserved in much harmony.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund, have been examined and audited. The expenditures of the School for the past year, ending with the last winter term, have been twelve thousand, eight hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-three cents. The income has been as follows: Interest from the School Fund, six thousand, two hundred and forty-six dollars, seventy-seven cents;—from Board and Tuition of scholars, (including $130 87 for articles sold and $157 20 due from scholars for the past terms,) five thousand, three hundred and thirty-eight dollars, and seventy-seven cents. Total income, eleven thousand, five hundred and eighty-five dollars, and fifty-four cents—leaving a deficiency of income to meet expenditures of twelve hundred and thirty-one dollars, eighty-nine cents.

The available balance in the hands of the Treasurer in the Fifth month last, the time of the examination, may be stated at eleven hundred and eleven dollars and forty-six cents.

Considerable amount of repairs and alterations has been made during the past year, particularly in the warming and cooking apparatus at the School House, and some improvement about the grounds, the expense of which, exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, is included in the expenditures above reported.

We would propose, that the terms of Board and Tuition should be continued as last year, viz. Thirty dollars per Term for members of our Yearly Meeting; forty-five dollars for those not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for any others who may be admitted—and that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense for one term, the same to be occupied either at the next Winter or succeeding Summer Term, at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting; the several Monthly Meetings to notify the Committee at their meeting in the Tenth month of their conclusion, in case they propose to occupy the privilege in the Summer Term.

Among the subjects which have claimed the attention and concern of the Committee, has been the promotion of a conformity to our religious profession, and the requisitions of our discipline by the scholars, in plainness of dress and address. On this subject, labor and advice have been from time to time imparted in the schools. But the Committee have a strong belief of the importance of the care of parents, and of Monthly Meetings, with the children at home on these subjects. Under this belief, and in pursuance of what they believed their duty under their appointment, they issued, in the Third month last, a communication addressed to Friends in the several Monthly Meetings, on the subject of plainness of speech, behavior and apparel—a copy of which is herewith presented.

During the past year, the health of the inmates of the School has been generally good, although we have to note some sickness, particularly a prevalence of colds and sore throats in the Third month, with which eight or ten of the male scholars were more or less affected—and the removal by death of two young men, scholars in the school, during the year. The first was Thomas W. White, from Elizabeth City, Pacotank county, North Carolina, who died on the 20th of Eleventh month last, aged 21 years; and of whom it was reported, that his deportment during all the time of his being at the School was orderly and satisfactory, never having in word or deed given occasion for reproof or dissatisfaction.

The second instance of mortality was Benjamin Winslow, of Winthrop, Maine, son of Joseph Winslow. He had been affected to some extent with sore throat, which had prevailed in the School, but from which he had nearly recovered, when he was seized with disease of the bowels, of which he died on the 3d of Fourth month, after a few days illness, aged 21 years. We believe it may not be without usefulness to say in this report, that the deportment of this young man, during the time he spent in the School, was very exemplary—and after his disease assumed a character which left him little or no prospect of recovery, he was favored unto the end, with much christian composure, and several times remarked, that although he felt his unworthiness to be great, yet he trusted that by the mercy of his Heavenly Father, through our Lord and Saviour, he should find forgiveness of his sins and be accepted. Death, he said, had no terrors for him. He manifested much gratitude towards those who had the care of him in his illness, and frequently spoke of his parents, towards whom he also felt very grateful, saying he believed their watchfulness and care over him, had done much towards preparing his mind for the solemn change that awaited him.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.

STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.

Providence, Fifth mo. 30th, 1848."

The following information is appended to the New York Epistle, viz:

"Correspondents.—John Duel for Saratoga Monthly Meeting, in place of Paul Kirby, released at his request. Address Mechanicsville, Saratoga County, N. Y.

Ephraim Potter for Granville Monthly Meeting, in place of Harris Otis, deceased. Address Granville, Washington County, N. Y.

John Bevans for Pelham Monthly Meeting, in place of Joseph King, deceased. Address Pelham Post-Office, Niagara District, Canada West, via Lewiston.

Paul Southwick, Peru Monthly Meeting. Address Keesville, Clinton County, N. Y."

7mo 1848 and sympathy were expressed therewith and he was encouraged to pursue his prospect he being ~~a minister~~ an elder in unity with us. The clerk was directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

Minutes Y.M. Copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have been received and distributed among our members.

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 21 1848

Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis and Seth K. Akin — Longplain Richard Davis and Joseph R Wing who are all present.

F. Bowmans request- A request being received from Francis Bowman that four of his minor Children viz Harriet W. Mary B. Daniel W. and Sarah A Bowman might be received into membership with us we appoint Joseph Davis Wm Gifford & John Howland to unite with such Committee as the women may appoint in the case to visit the family and report their judgment ~~to~~ a future meeting.

D.B. Akin Daniel B Akin requests a ~~removal~~ certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting Elisha Thornton and Wm P. Howland are appointed to prepare one if clear and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

The friend appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to inform Moses C Swift of the conclusion of Sandwich Monthly Meeting in his case reports that he has been informed; and the clerk is directed to forward this information to that Monthly Meeting.

We have received from the Meeting for Sufferings of London Yearly Meeting a copy of a tract entitled "Facts relating to the Aborigines" and another entitled 'Some Account of the Conduct of the Religious Society of Friends toward the Indians' which are acceptable to

8mo 1848 friends and they are directed to be placed in the Library of New Bedford Preparative Meeting for the use of members of this Monthly Meeting.

W. W. Cowen The Committee appointed in the 4th month 1847 to visit Wm W Cowen presented the following report which was accepted and the Committee are accordingly discharged.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee in the case of William W Cowin report that after our appointment we found that he lived at Wareham and that his business was such that he was mostly absent from home which rendered it somewhat difficult for us to attend to our appointment. One of the Committee however had an opportunity with him and while we were waiting for way to open to visit him and before we were prepared to report in the case he was taken sick and after a short illness deceased.

We therefore refer the case to the meeting

Fairhaven } Elnathan E. Delano
8mo 16 1848 } Josiah Holmes 2

Phila Gifford Cert. recd We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Phila Gifford.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

9mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 9mo 28, 1848

Representatives from New Bedford Geo. Wing, Francis T Bowman — Longplain Wm R Taber, Thomas H. Howland who are all present except one who we are informed is prevented from attending by sickness.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative meetings to the 1st, 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service

Rep. to Quart.y Meet.g we appoint Daniel Davis, Edmund Gardner, Josiah Holmes 2 and Thomas Wood.

Allen Kelley request Allen Kelley having requested a certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting we appoint Joseph Taber & Philip Anthony to take the necessary care in the case ~~and~~ prepare one if clear and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

H. Russell request

A removal certificate is requested to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Henry Russell his wife and their minor daughter Mary Starbuck — Charles R. Tucker and Henry T. Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

Application from Friends of airhaven

The following request for the establishment of a meeting in or near the village of Fairhaven being received at this time thro' Longplain Preparative Meeting we appoint Joseph Davis, Philip Anthony John Howland Rufus Shearman, Wm P Howland, Daniel Davis and Wm C Taber with such others as the women may join to take the subject into serious consideration and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting

" The friends who live within the Southern limits of Acushnet Meeting considering their distance from the meeting house and the difficulty of regularly attending meetings and also of bringing up their children in the due attendance of them have thought it would be for the prosperity of our religious Society and the promotion of the cause of Truth to have a meeting set up in or near the village of Fairhaven.

With this view they have thought it proper to lay the subject before their friends for their consideration."

Amaziah Delano	Elizabeth Delano
Jeremiah Wood	Elizabeth H Wood
John Wood	Bettey G. Wood
Elnathan E Delano	Phebe S Delano
Silas Delano	Patience S Delano
Humphrey Hempton	Hannah Nye
Ezra Smith	Mary Taber
Marlbro Bradford	Mary W Smith
Thos H. Smith	Susan B Hempton
Mary Swift	Hannah Bradford
	Dolly Bradford "

9 mo 1848 The Committee appointed in the 1st month last
G R Taber to visit Geo. R. Taber on account of his deviation in
disowned marriage presented the following report which being
considered and having the concurrence of the womens
meeting we disown him as a member of our religious
Society and Wm Gifford is named to inform him hereof.
"To the Monthly Meeting

We your committee in the case of
Geo. R Taber report — we have had several opportunities
with him and endeavoured to labor in the ability afforde
He appeared to manifest some regard for our religious
Society; still we did not find him in a State of mind
willing to make friends satisfaction for his deviation.
He said he wished friends to act in the case as they thought
proper. Believing we have discharged our duty we
leave it for the consideration of the meeting.

New Bedford
9 mo 27. 1848

Rufus Shearman
Wm Gifford

D B Akin A certificate on account of marriage to Dartmouth
Monthly Meeting on behalf of Daniel B. Akin is approved
and directed to be signed by the Clerk.

R Howland We unite with the womens meeting in approving
removed a removal Certificate to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting on
behalf of Ruth Howland.

H. T. Wood Our esteemed Henry T. Wood informed this meeting
visit that he had felt it right for him to accompany Lemue
to Gifford during his intended religious visit to the Yearly
Baltimore Meeting of Baltimore and if way should open for it to visit
&c some of the meetings within the limits of Philadelphia and
New York Yearly Meetings which concern was fully united
with and he encouraged to pursue his prospect he being a
member in unity with us, and the clerk was directed to
furnish him with a copy of this minute.

A A Davenport We unite with the womens meeting in disowning
disowned Alice A Davenport late Allen as a member of our religious Society, she
having married one not in membership with us.

9th mo 1848 The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment with the addition of Elnathan E Delano are continued on that service for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Overseers appd

(The following friends were named in the 9th month last year Amaziah Delano, Abm Davis, Josiah Holmes 2d, John Howland, Wm P Howland, Rufus Sherman, Wm C Taber & Wm R Taber)

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

10th mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10th mo 26 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Wm Gifford, Jos. Kempton — Longplain Elnathan E Delano, Gideon Wood who are all present.

E. P. & T. R. Rodman

The Overseers inform this New Bedford Preparative Meeting that Edmund P & Thos. R Rodman do not attend our meetings and give no encouragement of attending them in future: -

Philip Anthony and Wm Gifford are appointed to visit them on these accounts and report their judgment in the respective cases to a future meeting.

Com. from andwich Hamblin

The following communication being received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting we appoint Elnathan E. Delano and Josiah Holmes 2d to visit Sylvanus Hamblin on account of the complaint prefered against him and report their judgment in the case to a future meeting.

" To New Bedford Monthly Meeting of Friends

Dear friends

We have received the annexed complaint against Silvanus Hamblin now residing within your limits which was directed to be forwarded to you requesting your assistance in the case.

From Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 6 1848

Newell Hoxie Clerk

" To Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends

We have to inform that Silvanus Hamblin has

10mo 1848 for a considerable length of time absented himself from our meetings and has married with one not of our Society.

Sandwich 9mo 27
1848
Joshua Wing
Joseph Hoxie
Overseers

A Kelley A certificate on account of marriage to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Allen Kelley is approved and directed to be signed by the clerk.

The friend named to inform George R. Taber of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has been informed.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

R Davis returns minute Our beloved friend Ruth Davis returned to this meeting a minute furnished her in the 5th month last to attend the Quarterly Meeting of Smithfield and to visit some of the meetings and families of friends within the limits of that meeting; she also presented a returning minute from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting held at Bolton 10th of 8th mo last stating that her company and gospel labors had been acceptable, and informed us that she had been enabled to perform the service required of her to the peace and greatly to the relief of her own mind. Which is satisfactory to this meeting

Attest Wm C Taber clerk

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11mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 23 1848 Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber, James Almy — Longplain Wm R. Taber, Richard Davis who are all present.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d and 10th, a summary of which to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting was approved.

We appoint Giles E. Stanton, Henry T. Wood Wm R. Taber, Josiah Holmes 2d and Richard Davis our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting.

J. Holmes 2d & Abby Wood Josiah Holmes 2d and Abby Wood informed this meeting by a written communication that with divin

11mo 1848 permission and the approbation of friends they intended marriage with each other — Elnathan E Delano and Wm C Taber are appointed to make the necessary inquiries relative to Josiah Holmes Jr. clearness to proceed therein and report to our next monthly meeting.

Abigail Hanson visit — Our beloved friend Abigail M Hanson of Dover Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from that Monthly Meeting expressive of the unity of her friends with her ministry and present religious engagements.— Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable and satisfactory to us as has also been the company of her husband Timothy Hanson an elder who accompanies her with a minute from the same Monthly Meeting. The clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with minutes embracing the substance of this as it relates to each respectively.

R. G. Howland pub. ministry appd — We unite with the Womens meeting in approving the public appearances in the ministry of Rachel G. Howland and refer the case to the Quarterly Meeting.

E P & T R. Rodman disowned — The committee appointed last month to visit Edmund P. and Thomas R. Rodman presented the following report which being considered and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we disown them as members of our religious Society and Wm Gifford is named to inform them hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeable to appointment we have visited Edmund P. and Thomas R. Rodman on account of their neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings. They both profess much respect for the Society of Friends but manifest ~~neither of them~~ no disposition to attend their meetings and neither of them have any wish to be retained in membership; which we submit to the meeting.

New Bedford 11mo 22, 1848

Wm Gifford
Philip Anthony

11m 1848

H Russell & family removed

A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Henry Russell, his wife Mary and their minor daughter Mary Starbuck is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

H. T. Wood returned Minute

Our esteemed friend Henry T. Wood returned to this meeting a minute furnished him in the 9th. month last to accompany our beloved friend Lemuel Gifford on a religious visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting and to perform some other religious service; he also presented a satisfactory minute from that Yearly Meeting and another from Amawalk Monthly Meeting held on the 10th Inst. both stating that his company had been acceptable.— Which is satisfactory to this meeting..

Fairhaven Meeting House

The committee appointed in the 9th. month last to take into consideration the application of friends of Fairhaven that a meeting for worship might be established in or near that village reported through one of their number that they had considered the subject and consulted with friends of Long-plain and Acushnet Meetings and had come to the conclusion that it would be safe that a meeting should be set up as requested which was united with by this and the womens meetings. And the following friends are appointed to advise with friends of that vicinity relative to the subject and if way opens for it to select a suitable situation for a meeti house and to render such assistance in its erection as circumstances may require; or if it may appear desirable that the meeting should be opened before a house could be erecti they are directed to select a suitable room for the purpose and to attend the opening of the meeting and endeavour that it be conducted to the honor of Truth.

Names of the Committee Joseph Davis, Philip Anthon John Howland, Rufus Shearman, Wm P Howland, Daniel Davis, Wm C Taber, John Wood, Josiah Holmes 2, Wm R. Taber, Marlboro. Bradford, Thomas Wood and Richard Davis.

12mo 1848 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 28th 1848
Representatives from New Bedford William Gifford, Francis Bowman — Longplain John Wood, Daniel [illegible] who are all present.

Holmes & Wood — Josiah Holmes 2d and Abby Wood having at our last Monthly Meeting presented a written declaration of their intentions of taking each other in marriage and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our society, and William C. Taber and John Howland are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

J. Howland / Ed. Howland — Removal certificates being requested for Joseph Howland and Edward Howland to Sandwich Monthly Meeting Philip Anthony and Henry T. Wood are appointed to take the necessary care in the respective cases and report to a future meeting.

Rochester meeting — The Committee appointed to visit the meeting at Rochester presented the following report which was read and considered and having the concurrence of the women's meeting was accepted. In accordance therewith the meetings are directed to be continued another year to be held as heretofore under the care of a committee to which service we appoint Joseph Davis John Howland Wm P. Taber, Wm C. Taber Thomas Wood Elnathan E Delano Rufus Shearman, Richard Davis, Charles R Tucker, Wm P Howland, Henry T. Wood, Philip Anthony Geo. Howland & Abm Davis, and they are requested to report in the 12th month next.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Rochester report — That several of our number have as way has opened for it visited the meeting to a good degree of satisfaction and on conferring together we are encouraged to propose that the meeting be continued as heretofore held under the care of a committee.

On behalf of the Committee
Wm C. Taber
Betsy P. Wood

New Bedford 11mo 23 1848

12 mo 1848 The representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

The friend named to inform Edmund P. and Thomas R. Rodman of the conclusion of this meeting in their respective cases reports that they have been informed.

Auditors app.d Philip Anthony and George Howland Jr are appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts to ascertain what sum is necessary for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and to name a friend to serve as treasurer — to report to our next monthly meeting.

Auditors Jno West Estate Geo. Howland 2, Matthew Howland, Wm. P. Howland and Philip Anthony are appointed to examine the accounts of the trustees of John Wests Estate and are directed to present a statement of the condition of that trust to our next monthly meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

1 mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 1 mo 25, 1849, Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Kempton and Abel D. Wing — Longplain William Davis and Gideon Wood who are all present.

D. Dudleys & Companion J. Fairbrother Visit. Our beloved friend David Dudley of St. Albans Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their unity with his ministry, and present religious engagements — His company and gospel labors have been very acceptable to us as has been the company of Joseph Fairbrother of the same Monthly Meeting who also acceptably attended this meeting with a minute as companion to the above named friend. The Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing them with minutes embracing the substance of this as it relates to each respectively.

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Josiah Holmes 2 and Abby Wood report that it was order conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.

We unite with the womens meeting in accepting a removal

1m° 1849 Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf
B. Kelley of Betsey Kelley wife of Allen Kelley.
Cert
rec'd

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting
Report to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts presented the
Auditors following report which was read and accepted and in accordance therewith it was concluded to raise the sum of eight hundred twenty five dollars and Henry T. Wood is appointed Treasurer of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment. John Wood, Wm R. Taber, Joseph R. Wing, Benjn. H. Howland, Richard Davis, Henry T. Wood & William Gifford are appointed to receive subscriptions to make up that sum and present the Treas. receipt therefor when accomplished.

Howland
Howland
emoved

Removal certificates to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Howland and Edward Howland were approved with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

West
Estat

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meetg to examine the accounts of the Trustees of the Estate of John West inform that owing to the absence of two of the Trustees from Town they were not ready to make a final report. The Committee is therefore continued to report next month.

Congdon
. Elder

We unite with the Womens meeting in the appointment of Lydia Congdon to the station of an Elder.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

We have this day examined and settled the accounts of Wm C Taber, Treasurer of the Monthly Meetg and find a balance in his hands of eighty six 30/100 dollars subject to a draft of forty five 50/100 dolls. now due. We would recommend that the sum of eight hundred twenty five dollars be raised for the service of this meeting the ensuing year and propose the name of Henry T. Wood for Treasurer.

1m° 18. 1849

Philip Anthony
Geo. Howland 2

2mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 22, 1849
Representatives from New Bedford Francis Bowman and Daniel Davis — Longplain Wm R Taber and Elnathan E Delano who are all present.

Clerk app.d The time for which the clerk and assistant were appointed having expired Wm C Taber is reappointed Clerk and Charles R. Tucker assistant clerk of this meet for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Jno Wests Estate The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Trustees of John Wests Estate presented the following report which was read and accepted.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the accounts of the Trustees of John Wests Estate report — that they have attended to their appointment and find that the income of the estate since the last settlement in the 7th month 1842 to the present time, arising from the rent of the farms and other sources amounts to $ 1960.44

And that there has been expended during the same period in payment of balance due the Trustees at the time of last settlement	—91.39	
In donations to fifty five individuals	- 654.25	
In repairs improvements &c including the cost of a new barn on one of the farms }	1107.37	
Leaving a balance now in the hands of Trustees	107.43	1960.44

For the information of the meeting the committee will state that the abovementioned estate consists of two farms one situated on Wests Island containing about three hundred acres which rents for $125.— of which sum $25.— is to be expended upon the farm in improvements. The other farm is situated upon Seconet Neck, contains about one hundred acres and rents for $100.—

On behalf of the Committee
Philip Anthony
2mo 19, 1849

The committee appointed to take charge of the fund devised by our late friend A. Shearman Jr for the purposes of Education presented the following report which

2m° 1849 was read and accepted. viz

Report
A.S.J
Ed: Fund

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to take charge of the income of the Educational Fund belonging to this meeting and to expend the same as directed in the will of the donor report, — That they have received from the Overseers of the Monthly Meeting the income of the above named fund amounting to eighty four dollars. They have expended for the education of three children at the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence the sum of $65. — and they have on hand the sum of $19.00. — On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford 2m° 16. 1849
Geo. Howland Jr

A.S.J
Charitable
Fund

The Committee appointed to have the charge of the Charitable Fund of our late friend A. Shearman Jr present the following report which was read and accepted with the concurrence of the womens meeting. viz.

To the Monthly Meeting

The committee appointed to have the charge of the Charitable fund of our late friend. A. Shearman Jr report that they have endeavoured to discharge the duties of the appointment to the best of their ability in conformity with the directions of the donor and they have the satisfaction of believing that the assistance rendered has promoted the comfort of many deserving persons. The amount received from the income from the fund has been one hundred five dollars and there has been paid out ninety seven dollars to twenty individuals. — On behalf of the Committee

New Bedford }
2m° 22, 1849 }
Edwd W. Howland
Lydia S. Howland

Recorders
app.d

Charles R. Tucker is reappointed Recorder and Wm R. Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

J. Howland
Elder

The joint committee appointed in the 11th m° 1847 to consider of and present to this meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in the station of Elders proposed John Howland for that station which after deliberate consideration

2mo 1849 was united with by this and the womens meeting and the case is referred to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Com on A S L Char. & Edn Funds Continued

The committee on the fund for Educational purposes is reappointed on the same service for the year ensuing, or until another appointment - to report in the 2d month ne

The Committee on the Charitable fund is also continu on the same service for the ensuing year or until anothe appointment — to report in the 2d month next.

Copy attest Wm C Taber Cle

3mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 22, 1849

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Henry T. Wood — Longplain Richard Davis and Thomas Wood who are all present.

R. L. Murray & R. S. Taber proposals

Robert Lindley Murray and Ruth S. Taber informed this meeting by a written communication that with divine permission and the approbation of friends they intended marriage with each other. The case is referred to our next Monthly Meeting.

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings and a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meet, by our representatives — to which service we appoint Elnath E. Delano, Wm P. Howland Wm R. Taber and George Howland Jr.

J. Russell

A removal certificate having been requested to Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Russell — Charles R. Tucker and Matthew Howland are appointed to take the necessary care in the case and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Com. on the appointment of Elders

The committee appointed in the 12th month 1847 to propose the names of Friends to serve this meeting in the station of Elders presented the following report which was read and accepted and they are accordingly discharged. It being however the sense of this meeting that there is a further duty to be performed in this respect we appoint the

3mo 1849 the following friends viz Wm P. Howland Wm C. Taber Daniel Davis, Charles R. Tucker, Elisha Thornton Wm R. Taber, Elnathan C. Delano, Geo. Howland Jr & Philip Anthony to continue the subject under their care and report as way may open for it the names of such friends as they may deem suitable to serve in that Station.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee under appointment upon the subject of Elders report. — That they have endeavoured to give such attention to the subject as its importance required and have at times proposed the names of such friends to fill the Station of Elders as way opened for. The Committee are of opinion that all has not been accomplished that was expected at the time of their appointment; but as their number has been reduced by removal and otherwise they would recommend that a new appointment be made which they submit to the judgment of the meeting.

On behalf of the Committee

3mo 21, 1849

Wm C. Taber
Elnathan C. Delano
Deborah Tallman

Shearman Memorial — The Committee on Memorials presented an essay of a memorial of the exemplary life of our late beloved friend Abraham Shearman Jr and of the services rendered to the Church by him which being read and fully united with by this and the womens meeting was directed to be signed by the clerk and forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Qy Stock — We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting Stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that meeting.

Ministry E. Delano pproved — We are informed by a member of the Select meeting that that meeting had united in proposing the approval of the public appearances in the ministry of Elnathan C. Delano which proposition was united with by this and the womens meeting and the case referred to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 9th month 1847 in

3mo 1849 the case of John W. Taber who had married contrary to ~~out of~~ the

Jno W Taber order of our Society with one who is not a member, presented

denied the following report which was read and accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as member of our religious Society and Charles R. Tucker is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

Since our appointment in the case of John W Taber we have addressed to him two letters without receiving any reply and as some time has passed since our letters were written, we are united in submitting the case to the judgment of the meeting

New Bedford
3mo 21 1849

John Howland
Charles R Tucker

Copy attest Wm C. Taber, clerk

4mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 26, 1849

Representatives from New Bedford George Wing and Allen Kelley — Longplain Gideon Wood and Albert Wood who are all present.

A certificate on account of marriage from the Monthly Meeting of New York on behalf of Robert Lindley Murray is accepted.

R. L. Murray & R. S. Taber marriage

Robert Lindley Murray and Ruth S. Taber having presented a declaration of their intentions of marriage with each other to our last Monthly Meeting and they having consent of parents and appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society and John Howland and William Gifford are named to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Jno Bailey & family

Being informed that John Bailey and wife have removed to reside within the limits of Salem Monthly Meeting we appoint Philip Anthony and Wm P. Howland to take the necessary care in the case and report to a future meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 7th month last year on the application of Francis Bowman that his minor

4th 1849 children might be received into membership presented

H W Bowman the following report which was read and accepted and
M B Bowman having the concurrence of the womens meeting the chil-
Danl W Bowman dren viz Harriet W. Mary B. Daniel W and Sarah
A Bowman A. Bowman are accordingly received into membership
received with us and Joseph Davis and Rufus Sherman are
named to visit the family and convey to them ~~the~~ con-
clusion of this meeting.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended.

Jno Russell removed — A removal certificate directed to Swansey Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Russell is approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

E Bowman recd — We unite with the womens meeting in receiving Elizabeth Bowman wife of Francis Bowman into membership with us.

Overseers Poor — The time for which the Overseers of the Poor of this Meeting were appointed having expired, the friends now under appointment are continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

(The names of the friends are Wm Tallman, John Howland Elisha Thornton, Shadrach Davis, Daniel Davis, Philip Anthony, Wm Gifford, Sands Wing, and Josiah Holmes.)

The friend named at our last Monthly Meeting to inform John W Taber that this meeting had disowned him as a member of our religious society reports that he has forwarded the information.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to visit Francis Bowmans family on account of his request that his minor children viz Harriet W. Mary B. Daniel W. and Sarah A. should be received into membership report that we have attended to our appointment and are united in opinion that it would be safe to receive them accordingly.

New Bedford
4th mo 25 1849

On behalf of the Committee
John Howland
Hannah Leonard

5mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 5mo 24 1849
Representatives from New Bedford Matthew Howland and Abm Barker — Longplain Wm R Taber and Sands Wing who are all present.

Eleazer Bales visit

A satisfactory certificate from White Lick Monthly Meeting endorsed by White Lick Quarterly Meeting Indiana on behalf of our beloved friend Eleazer Bales who has been engaged in visiting the meetings of Friends in this vicinity but is prevented by sickness from attending this meeting, was presented and read to our satisfaction — His company and services we are informed have been to the acceptance of friends of the meetings which he has been enabled to visit and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

+ companion H. Wilson

Our beloved friend Henry Wilson of Blue River Monthly Meeting Indiana, Companion to the above named friend attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from the Monthly Meeting of which he is a member. His company and good counsel have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The Committee appointed to oversee the marriage of Robert Lindley Murray and Ruth S. Taber report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate delivered to the recorder.

The friends named to visit the family of Francis Bowman and convey to the them the conclusion of this meeting in regard to the application made on behalf of his Children report that the information has been given.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

6mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 6mo 28 1849
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis & Benj. Swift — Longplain Thomas Wood & Williams Davis who are all present.

B. Seebohm Visit

Our beloved friend Benjamin Seebohm of Great Britain attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials from Brighouse Monthly Meeting, the Quarterly Meeting of York and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London expressive of their unity with his ministry and with his concern in visiting this country. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable and satisfactory to us

mo 1849 Our beloved friend Robert Lindsey of Great Britain com-
R Lindsey panion to Benjamin Seebohm also attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials from the same meetings expressive of their unity with his ministry and with his present concern. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

C Douglas
Enos Pray
Nathl Sands
Visit

Our beloved friends Cornelius Douglas of Springfield Monthly Meeting and Centre Quarterly Meeting State of Ohio Enos Pray of West Branch Monthly and Quarterly Meeting in the same State, and Nathaniel Sands of Cornwall Monthly Meeting State of New York attended this meeting and presented satisfactory testimonials of the unity of their friends with their ministry and present religious engagements. Their company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each respectively.

Isaac Hay

Our beloved friend Isaac Hay of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting, State of Ohio companion to Enos Pray attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his Monthly Meeting - His company has been acceptable to us as has also been the company of our beloved friend Phebe A Douglas who accompanies her husband with a minute from the same Monthly Meeting. The clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of this minute as it relates to each.

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from the preparative Meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint - Josiah Holmes 2d Wm J Howland, Elisha Thornton and Wm R Taber.

M J Hodges
visit

Our beloved friend Martha J Hodges of China Monthly Meeting Maine attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from her friends expressive of their unity with her ministry and present religious engagements. Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a copy of this minute.

6mo 1849 The Committee appointed in the 11th month 1848 to
Fairhaven advise and assist friends of Fairhaven in the erection
Meeting of a Meeting House presented the following report which
House was accepted and the meetings are directed to be held accordingly with which the womens meeting unites. The Committee now under appointment is continued to render any further assistance to friends of that meeting which may be required.

To the Monthly Meeting

Report The Committee appointed on the subject of Meeting and Meeting House at Fairhaven report that they have given attention to their appointment and have rendered such assistance as lay in their power. The House is now ready for occupation and the Committee would recommend that a meeting for public worship be held in it on First and Fifth days of the week commencing with First day next;— That there be two meetings held on First-day from the first of the 4th month to the 1st of the 10th month commencing at 10½ O clock A.M and 4 P.M. and one meeting for the remainder of the year at 10½ O clock A.M. — That the Week day meeting be held on 5th day at 11 O clock A.M. and that the week day meeting be omitted in the week in which the Preparative, Monthly and Quarterly Meetings are held.—

On behalf of the Committee
John Howland
New Bedford 6mo 28, 1849

Stock The Treasurers receipt for eight hundred twenty five dollars, the sum proposed to be raised for the service of the meeting the present year was presented at this time

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

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7mo 1849

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7mo 26 1849

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner Seth R Akin — Longplain Amaziah Delano, Richard Davis who are all present but one.

A. Hillman An application from Alexander Hillman to be received into membership with us being received at this time we appoint Francis T Bowman, Wm P Howland and John Howland to visit him on account of said application

7mo 1849 and report their judgment in the case to a future meetg.

The representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting report that they attended except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were assigned.

Longplain Preparative Meetg. A proposition that Longplain Preparative Meeting be held alternately at Longplain, Acushnet, & Fairhaven was opened in this meeting and the subject referred for further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

8mo 1849

At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8mo 23, 1849

Representatives from New Bedford Joseph Taber and Henry T. Wood — Longplain Cornelius Macomber and Jonathan Cowin who are all present.

Com: on funerals The Committee having the oversight of funerals and care of burial grounds presented the following report which was accepted and the friends now under appointment with the addition of Joseph R. Wing are continued on that service for the year ensuing or till another appointment to report in the 8th month next year.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of burial grounds and oversight of funerals report that they have endeavoured to give attention to the subject, and believe that all funerals held under the care of friends have been attended by some of their number and that no change with respect to monuments has taken place since last year in any of our grounds.

On behalf of the Committee
Wm C Taber
New Bedford 8mo 8, 1849 Wm P Howland

A. Hillman &c The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meeting to visit Alexander Hillman on account of his application to be received into membership presented the following report which was accepted and he is accordingly received a member of our religious Society, the womens meeting concurring therein, and Wm P. Howland is named to inform him thereof.

8 Mo 1849 To the Monthly Meeting

Report A. Hillman Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Alexander Hillman on account of his request to be received a member of our religious Society. He informed us that he had long been convinced of the principles of Friends and had at times for several years felt it required of him to make application to be received into membership.

He and his family (so far as he knew) had for a considerable length of time attended the religious meetings of Freinds exclusively.

We are united in judgment that it would be safe to receive him into membership. Which we submit to the Meeting.

Francis Bowman
John Howland
Wm P. Howland

New Bedford 8 Mo 23, 1849

R. S. Murray removed We unite with the womens meeting in approving a removal certificate to New York Monthly Meeting on behalf of Ruth S. Murray.

C. J. Hoxie Cert. recd. A removal certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Charles J. Hoxie is accepted with the concurrence of the Womens Meeting.

2/7 Mo 14 Stock By a communication from our last Quarterly Meeting we are informed that our proportion of the sum necessary to be raised for the service of that meeting the ensuing year is three hundred three 75/100 dollars which our Treasurer is directed to pay to the Treasurer of that meeting when the state of the treasury will admit.

Com. on Board. School The report of the Boarding School Committee was read at this time to our satisfaction and Chs. R. Tucker, Los Taber Geo. Howland Jr, Wm R. Taber and Richard Davis are appointed to select a suitable child to occupy the priviledge of this meeting at the Boarding School at Providence. The same friends are also appointed to take the necessary care with respect to children about to enter that School and parents are requested to make seasonable application to them for certificates previous to their being sent to it.

Longplain The proposition to hold Longplain Preparative Meeting

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, in the sixth month, 1849. The Committee having charge of our Boarding School presented the following Report, which is satisfactory to us, and the propositions therein contained are approved and confirmed by this Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to forward copies thereof to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, have during the past year paid such attention to their appointments, as way has opened for, and according to their ability have endeavored to discharge the duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting.

Our friends, Silas and Sarah M. Cornell, have continued in the station of Superintendents, and Charles Atherton and Edward G. Hoag, were engaged as Teachers in the boys' school during the year, with the addition of Richard D. Meader during the winter term. In the girls' school Martha M. Haines and Anna B. Page have been engaged as Teachers during the year, and Lydia Almy was employed in addition during the winter term.

Instruction in the languages has been given on five days in the week, in both schools during the year by Lafayette Burr, and in writing, during the latter part of the winter term, by Charles G. Pinkham.

The average number of scholars has been 117, viz. 63 males and 54 females.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the House, harmony has prevailed, and the family generally has been favored with good health. One or two cases of varioloid occurred during the fall vacation, on which account the commencement of the winter term was delayed for two weeks.

Semi-annual examinations of the schools by the Committee have been made as heretofore, and the Institution has also been visited by sub-committees appointed monthly, and these examinations and visits have been generally satisfactory, showing a good degree of diligence on the part of the scholars, and care and vigilance on that of the Teachers.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the past year, ending with the last winter Term have been about 14,253 dollars.

The income has been as follows, viz. Interest from the School fund which may be stated at $6,800, and from board and tuition of scholars $6,400.

Total income $13,200, leaving a deficiency of income to meet expenditures of about $1,000.

The available balance in the hands of the Treasurer in the fifth month, the time of settlement, may be stated at $508 77.

During the fall vacation, a considerable alteration was made in the acommodations for the school in the west wing, by which a much more commodious apartment is provided, and which is believed to be a great improvement. The expenses of this change and of various other repairs are included in the above expenditures. The deficiency in the income to meet the expenses of the Institution may be principally accounted for from the larger number of scholars who have been at the School the past year. The price of board and tuition for members of our own Yearly Meeting, being only about two-thirds of the actual cost, and the balance being made up from the income of the permanent fund, it will be obvious that when the number of scholars exceeds a certain amount, it cannot be expected that the income of the school will meet its expenses, and the number of scholars for the past year having been larger than usual, there has been as it is stated a deficiency in the income to meet the current expenses.

We would propose, that the terms of Board and Tuition, should be continued as last year, viz. thirty dollars per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; forty-five dollars for those not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for others who may be admitted, and that five dollars per term in addition continue to be charged for instruction in the languages. We would also propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar, free of expense for one term, the same to be occupied either at the next winter or succeeding summer term, at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting. The several Monthly Meetings to notify the Committee at their meeting in the tenth month of their conclusion, in case they propose to occupy the privilege in the Summer term.

In pursuance of the authority given to the Committee by the Yearly Meeting; a sale has been effected of the parcel of land lying north of Olney street in the city of Providence, for the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars, and the purchase money has been received or secured in the hands of the Treasurer of the School fund. And in the circumstances under which this piece of land was acquired, it having been purchased from the remainder of a donation from our late friend Moses Brown, intended for the enlargement of the Real Estate of the Institution, the Committee are united in recommending to the Yearly Meeting the permanent funding of the money received from the above sale, and the appropriation of the income only upon the improvement of the Real Estate of the institution.

In conclusion we would express the desire and hope, that this interesting Institution may continue to claim and receive the fostering care and concern of Friends, and that with the Divine blessing, it may become increasingly useful to the rising generation in our religious society in affording facilities for training them up in a love of the truth, and in an increased concern for the maintenance of those precious testimonies given us to bear.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYCE,
Clerk for the day."

Newport, 6th mo. 9th, 1849.

3mo 1849 alternately at Longplain Acushnet and Fairhaven was again brought before the meeting and was again referred for further consideration to our next Monthly Meeting.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

4mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 4mo 23 1849

Representatives from New Bedford James Mann & Daniel Davis — Longplain Thomas Wood & Richard Davis who are all present except one (whose absence was occasioned by illness ~~occasioned by illness)~~

J. Meader visit — Our beloved friend John Meader of Providence Monthly Meeting attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory minute from his friends expressive of their unity with him as a minister and with his present religious engagements. — His company and religious services have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Wm P. Kelley complaint — The following complaint from the overseers of New Bedford Monthly Meeting against Wm P. Kelley being received we appoint Philip Anthony and Charles R Tucker to visit him on that account and report to a future meeting.

A. G. Taber Complaint — The Overseers also presented the following complaint from the same meeting against Abm G Taber and Henry T. Wood and Daniel Davis are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

William P Kelley has for a considerable time past wholly neglected the attendance of our religious meetings — He has been laboured with on that account but gives no encouragement of attending them in future.

Abraham G Taber has also entirely neglected the attendance of our religious meetings. In an interview with him some months past he expressed a wish to retain his right of membership and we were led to hope that he would again attend them; but as he has not we consider it best to present the case to the meeting.

9 Mo 1849

on behalf of the Overseers
John Howland
Wm P. Howland

New Bedford 9 Mo 17 1849

Wm Hamblin
Complaint

The Overseers also presented the following complai thro Longplain Preparative Meeting against Wm Hamblin and Wm R Taber and Thomas Wood are appointed to visit him and report to a future meeting

Queries

The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our preparative meetings to the first, second and tenth a summary of which was approved and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint John Howland, Danl Davis, Wm P. Howland and Wm R. Taber.

London
Epistle

The London general Epistle of the past year was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

Wm P Howland
to
North Carolina

Our beloved friend William P. Howland informed this meeting that he had a prospect of accompanying Lydia R Kelley of Smithfield Monthly Meeting and Ruth H. Baker of Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their proposed visit to North Carolina Yearly Meeting and to some of the meetings within its limits and also to appoint some meetings; which claiming the consideration of this meeting was united with by this and the womens meeting and he encouraged to proceed therein as best wisdom may direct; he being a member in unity with us — The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a minute embracing the substance of this.

S. Howland
returns
Cert.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland returned to this meeting a certificate furnished her in the third month last year to perform a religious visit to friends in Great Britain and Ireland and if way opened for it, some of the meetings of Friends on the Continent of Europe, She also informed the meeting that she had been enabled to perform the service required of her, having visited all the meetings in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales except a few small meetings and had ~~she~~ been favoured to witness peace in returning to her country and friends — Way did not open to visit Friends on the Continent. All of Which is acceptable and satisfactory to us

9mo 1849 Our beloved friend George Howland also returned
G. Howland the minute furnished him in the 7th month last year to
returns accompany his wife in her religious visit to Great Britain
Minute and Ireland.

Longplain The proposition to change the holding of Longplain
P. Mg. Preparative Meeting was again brought before this meeting
and it was concluded to drop the subject from our minutes.

To the Monthly Meeting

William Hamblin who has a right of member
ship with us has conducted himself inconsistently with
our profession and does not seem disposed to pay his
just debts. On behalf of the Overseers
Fairhaven 9mo 19. 1849 Abrm Davis

10mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 10mo 25 1849
Representatives from New Bedford Henry T. Wood and
William Gifford – Longplain Amaziah Delano and
John R. Davis Jr who are all present.

Wm R. Faber's This meeting was informed that our esteemed friend
to William R. Faber had felt a willingness to accompany
accompany Lemuel Gifford on a religious visit to friends of the Quar-
L. Gifford terly Meetings of Westbury, Purchase, Nine Partners and
Stanford and also if way should open for it to appoint some
meetings among those not members of our Society – which
being duly considered his engagement was united with,
he being a member in unity with us. The clerk was
directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that
they all attended.

Overseers The time for which the Overseers of this meeting were
appointed having expired the following friends were appoint
ed to present to our next monthly meeting the names of friends to serve
on that appointment for the ensuing year – viz Daniel Davis
Joseph Davis, Edmund Gardner, Sands Wing Henry T. Wood
Richard Davis & Elisha Thornton

A D Wing Our beloved friend Anna D. Wing attended this and a
visit previous monthly Meeting and at that time presented a satisfactory

10mo 1849 minute from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting expressive of the unity of her friends with her ministry and present religious engagements – Her company and religious services and also her visits to the families of friends within our limits have been to our satisfaction. The Clerk is directed to unite with the clerk of the womens meeting in furnishing her with a minute embracing the substance of this.

attest Wm C Taber clerk

11mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 11mo 22 1849

Representatives from New Bedford Edmund Gardner Geo. Howland Jr – Longplain Cornelius Macomber Joseph R. Wing who are all present except one who we are informed is necessarily absent.

Queries The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our preparative meetings to the 1st 2d & 10th a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint Rufus Shearman, Richard Davis and Joseph Taber.

H. H. Allen complaint The following complaint against Henry H. Allen being received and read we appoint Henry T. Wood and William R. Taber to visit him on that account and report to a future meeting.

To the Monthly Meeting

Henry H. Allen who according to the Discipline has a right of membership in our Society does not attend our religious meetings, and gives no encouragement of attending them.

New Bedford
11mo 12, 1849

On behalf of the Overseers
Rufus Sherman
John Howland

Rochester Meeting The committee appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Rochester presented the following report which was accepted and the meetings are accordingly directed to be ~~held~~ continued as heretofore held under the care of a committee, the womens meeting concurring herein – And the committee now under appointment are continued on the same service for the ensuing year or untill another appointment and are requested to report in the eleventh month next.

1 M^o 1849

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Rochester report, that the meeting has been visited by members of the Committee as way has opened for it and in conferring together we are united in proposing that they be continued another year as heretofore under the care of a committee

New Bedford   on behalf of the Committee
1 M^o 22, 1849   Wm C Taber
Sarah H. Anthony

A K Haswell ackn. rec. We unite with the womens meeting in accepting an acknowledgement from Abby K Haswell late Howland on account of her deviation in marriage and in continuing her a member of our religious Society.

S Hamblen disowned The committee appointed in the 10th month last year to visit Sylvanus Hamblin presented the following report which was accepted and the clerk is directed to forward a copy of the same to Sandwich Monthly Meeting

To the Monthly Meeting

Agreeably to our appointment we have visited Sylvanus Hamblin on account of his deviation in marriage. He expressed a desire to retain his right of membership but after waiting with him we find nothing favourable to report. It is our judgment that further labor from us will be unavailing which we submit to the meeting.

Elnathan . Delano
Fairhaven 1 M^o 10, 1849   Josiah Holmes 2

Wm P Kelley disowned The committee appointed in the 9th month last to visit Wm P Kelley presented the following report which being read and considered was accepted and having the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown him as a member of our religious Society and George Wing is named to inform him hereof.

To the Monthly Meeting

We have visited William P. Kelley agreeably to appointment on account of his neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings. He stated to us that he occasionally attended the meetings of another Society and gave no encouragement of attending our meetings in future and did not wish to retain his right of membership with friends. Which we submit to the meeting.

Philip Anthony
New Bedford 1 M^o 11, 1849   Charles R Tucker

11mo 1849 Our esteemed friend William R. Taber returned to this
Wm R Taber meeting a minute furnished him last month to accompany
returns Lemuel Gifford on a religious visit to friends of some of the Quarterly
Minute Meetings in New York Yearly Meeting. He also presented satisfactory
minutes from the Quarterly Meetings of Purchase and Nine Partners
and from Oblong Monthly Meeting stating that his company had been
acceptable. Which is satisfactory to this meeting.

Overseers The committee appointed last month to present the names of
friends to serve this meeting as overseers inform that they are not
prepared to make a final report — The are continued to report
next month.

Wm R Taber We are informed by a member of the Select Meeting that
ministry that meeting had united in proposing the approval of the public
approved ministry of William R. Taber which proposition after weighty
consideration was united with by this and the womens meeting
and the subject referred to our next Quarterly Meeting.

attest Wm C Taber clerk.

12mo 1849 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 12mo 2nd 1849
Representatives from New Bedford Daniel Davis, Paul Howland
– Longplain Gideon Wood, Richard Davis who are all present.

Overseers The Committee appointed in the 10th month last to propose
appd. the names of friends to serve this meeting as overseers presented
the following viz. Wm P. Howland, Wm C. Taber Rufus Shearma
Wm R. Taber, Sands Wing & John Wood which were united
with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for
the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that
they all attended.

Auditors Daniel Davis, Edmund Gardner & Abm. Barker are
appointed to examine and settle the Treasurers accounts;
to report the sum necessary to be raised for the service of this
meeting the ensuing year and to propose the name of a friend
to serve as Treasurer. They are also directed to audit the
accounts of the Trustees of John Wests Estate and also the accoun
of the Committees on the Educational and Charitable Funds of
our late friend A. Shearman and report to our next Monthly
Meeting.

The friend named to inform William P Kelley of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he has informed hi

12 Mo 1849 W.P. Howland returning minute

Our beloved friend William P. Howland returned to this meeting, a copy of a minute furnished him in the 9th month last to accompany Lydia B Kelley and Ruth H. Baker on a religious visit to North Carolina Yearly Meetg and to perform some further service within the limits of that Yearly Meeting. He also presented satisfactory returning minutes from the Yearly Meeting of North Carolina, from Western Quarterly Meeting and from the Monthly Meetings of Deep River, Springfield and Deep Creek and informed this meeting, that the service had been performed to the peace of his own mind which is very satisfactory and comforting to friends.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had forwarded to Sandwich Monthly Meeting the report of the committee and a copy of the minute made in the case of Sylvanus Hamblin.

Attest Wm C Taber Clerk

1 Mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held Mo 24 1850

Representatives from New Bedford Philip Anthony, Harrison Magoon — Longplain Sands Wing Albert Wood who are all present.

S.B. Dollridge & S. H. Allen

Samuel B Dollridge and Susan H. Allen informed this meeting by a written communication that with divine permission and the approbation of friends they intended marriage with each other — the subject is referred to our next monthly meeting.

Z Brailey

Being informed that Zacheus Brailey has returned to reside within the limits of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, we appoint Henry T. Wood and Charles R. Tucker to take the necessary care in the case, prepare a certificate if clear and report to a future meeting.

B.S. Briggs

Josiah Holmes 2 and Sands Wing are appointed on the application of Benjamin S Briggs for a removal certificate for himself and family to Smithfield Monthly Meeting to present an essay of a certificate if clear to a future meeting.

Auditors report

The committee appointed ~~last month~~ at our last monthly meeting to examine the treasurers accounts and for other purposes presented the following report which was read and accepted and in conformity therewith it was concluded to raise

Mo 1850 the sum of four hundred seventy five dollars for the service of this meeting and Henry T. Wood is appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing or untill another appointment.

Report

Report Treasury We have this day examined the accounts of Henry T. Wood Treasurer and find a balance in his hands of seventy six 57/100 dollars. We would recommend that the sum of four hundred seventy five dollars be raised for the use of the meeting the ensuing year and propose Henry T. Wood for Treasurer.

New Bedford Mo 17, 1850 Edmund Gardner.
To New Bedford M^o. M^g. Daniel Davis

John Wood, Richard Davis Edward W Howland Matthew Howland Albert Wood and Benj Franklin Howland are appointed to receive subscriptions for the above sum and present the Treasurers receipt therefor when accomplish

Report J West Estate The same committee who were also directed at our last M^o. Meet^g to audit the accounts of the Trustees of John West Estate, & the acc^ts of the committees having charge of the Charitable and Educational funds of our late friend Abr^m Shearman J^r presented the following reports which were severally read and accepted.

To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly Meet^g to examine the accounts of the Trustees with the Estate of John West, report – That they have attended to that service and find their account correct. – They also find in the hands of the Trustees a balance of two hundred ten dollars and 40 cents. Abr^m Barker

New Bedford Mo 20 1850 Edmund Gardner.

Report #

A. S. J^r Charitable Fund We have examined the accounts of the Committee having charge of the distribution of the donation of our late friend A. Shearman J^r for charitable purposes and find a balance of forty eight dollars in their hands.

Am^o. of Dividends recevd by the Committee $210 –

Mo 1850 Amount distributed in sums not exceeding ten dollars to one person except in one instance —— $ 162.

A.S. Jr Ed. Fund We have also examined the accounts of the Comm in charge of the income from the fund of the same donor to promote education and find a balance of forty three dollars in the hands of its Treasurer whose report is herewith submitted to the meeting

New Bedford Mo 23. 1850
Edmund Gardner
Daniel Davis

Com. on A.S. Jr Ed. Fund The Committee now under appointment to take charge of the income from the fund bequeathed by our late friend Abm Shearman Jr for promoting the education of the children of Friends are continued on that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

(Names of Committee Charles R Tucker, Joseph Taber George Howland Jr Wm R Taber & Richard Davis.)

Com on A.S. Jr Char Fund The Committee now under appointment to have the charge of the income from the fund bequeathed by the same donor for charitable purposes are also continued on the same service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

(Names of Committee Geo. Howland, Henry T Wood, William Gifford, Edward W Howland & Wm C Taber.)

C. Stetson removed We unite with the womens Meeting in approving a removal certificate to Wilmington Monthly Meeting Delaware on behalf of Cynthia Stetson.

S Hamblin The following communication being received from Sandwich Monthly Meeting we appoint Elnathan C Delano to inform Sylvanus Hamblin of the decision of that meeting in his case.

"The above report from New Bedford Monthly Meeting, in the case of Sylvanus Hamblin being received and after a time of consideration we are united in denying him the right of membership with us, the womens meeting concurring herein — And the clerk is directed to forward the substance of this minute to New Bedford Monthly Meeting

1mo 1850 requesting them to inform him of his denial and right of appeal.

From the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Frien held at Sandwich 12mo 3d 1849

David K Aken clerk

2mo 1850 At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 2mo 28th 1850 Representatives from New Bedford Paul Howland and Rufus Shearman — Longplain Cornl. Macomber and Jona. Cowen who are all present.

Clerks appd. The time for which the clerk and assistant of this meeting were appointed having expired the representatives proposed Wm. C. Taber as clerk and Chas. R. Tucker as assistant clerk which was united with and they are accordingly appointed to those service for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

S B Dottridge cert. A certificate on account of marriage from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Samuel B. Dottridge is accepted.

S B Dottridge & S. H Allen marriage Samuel B. Dottridge and Susan H. Allen having made a declaration in writing of their intentions of taking each other in marriage to our last Monthly Meeting and they appearing clear to proceed therein are allowed to solemnize their marriage according to the established order of our Society at the close of the present meeting, the parties having elected so to do, and Wm C Taber and Charles R Tucker are appointed to have the oversight thereof and report to our next Monthly Meeting.

Z. Braley removed A removal certificate to Sandwich Monthly Meeting on behalf of Zacheus Braily is approved with the concurrence of the Womens meeting.

W Stamblin disowned The committee appointed in the 9th month last to visit William Stamblin on account of the complaint then preferred against him presented the following report which was accepted and with the concurrence of the womens meeting we ~~deny~~ disown him as a member of our religious Society and Wm R Taber is named to inform him hereof and of his right of appeal.

Report —

To the Monthly Meeting

Dear friends

Pursuant to our appointment we have visited William Stamblin and find him disposed entirely to justify himself in his course — we think any further labour

2mo 1850 from us would be unavailing we therefore submit the case to the meeting.

Thomas Wood
William R Taber

Fairhaven 2mo 28 1850

Complaints to be signed by Overseers — It is the conclusion of this meeting that in future all complaints brought by the overseers should be signed by two or more of their number.

Recorders app.d — Charles W Tucker is reappointed Recorder and William R. Taber and Richard Davis assistant Recorders of this meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

M. Cards Memorial — We unite with the Womens meeting in approving a memorial of our late beloved friend Mary Card which was read in this meeting to our satisfaction.

Attest Wm C Taber clerk

3mo 1850 — At New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 3mo 28th 1850
Representatives from New Bedford George Wing Henry T. Wood — Longplain Richard Davis Wm R. Taber who are all present.

Queries — The Queries were read in this meeting with answers from our Preparative Meetings a summary of which was directed to be forwarded to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting by our representatives to which service we appoint George Howland 2, Elisha Thornton, Thomas Wood & Wm R Taber.

J Bailey & wife B. S Briggs & family removed — Removal certificates to Salem Monthly Meeting on behalf of John Bailey & wife and to Smithfield Monthly Meeting on behalf of Benjamin S. Briggs & family were approved with the concurrence of the womens meeting.

Stock — The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions for the service of this meeting presented the Treasurers receipt for four hundred twenty five dollars the sum proposed to be raised.

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the marriage of Samuel B Dollidge and Susan H. Allen report that it was orderly conducted and the certificate recorded.

The friend named to inform Joseph Bailey of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he had informed him.

Q. M. Stock — We are informed that our proportion of Quarterly Meeting stock has been paid to the Treasurer of that meeting.

S Hamblen — The friend named to inform Sylvanus Hamblin of his disownment by Sandwich Monthly Meeting and of his right of appeal reports that he has informed him.

W Hamblin — The friend named to inform Wm Hamblin of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports that he had informed him

Attest Wm C Taber clerk

The Body of the Members of this ~~monthly~~ Meeting unite with the womens Meeting in denying Elizabeth Rodman & Mary Rotch from the Right of the Station of Elders as Recommended By the Select Meeting

Is to be Considerd that all the Members that does not Speake against it That they are united With the Body as assenting there to and uniting there with by their Silence

abraham
Shearman

Appointments

9mo 46	Overseers.	9mo 1845
	Poor	4mo 1846
2mo 47	Clerks	2mo 1846
2mo/47	Recorder	2mo 1846
1mo 47	Treasurer	1mo 1846
5mo 1847	Burial Ground Committee	3mo 1845
	~~to report 11mo 1845~~	
7mo	Committee to grant Cert: to Boarding School	4mo 1845
11/46	Rochester Com:	1mo 1846
	to report in 11th mo 1846	

At New Bedford Preparative Meeting held 7m° 16. 1846.

Harrison Magoon and Rufus Shearman are appointed representatives to the M° Meeting.

Timothy Akin requests a removal certificate for himself and family to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting.

Extracted from the minutes

Chas R. Tucker Clk

12 mo.

p. 84. 1834. 2d mo. – ~~Seth Cowing~~.
1836. 1 mo. – ~~suspect~~ – ( )

85. 1834 – 3 mo. C. Howland, Jr. – 9 mo 1845

106 ~~1836 – 4 mo Edwd. Howland~~
" 5 mo ~~Henry S. Howland~~ 8 mo 1843
" 9 mo. ~~Silas Brownell~~

7 mo

8 mo ~~E Hussey~~ 9 mo
~~G. R. Hathaway~~ 11 mo

✓ Queries

✓ Cert. from ~~[illegible]~~ attend^g Minister

✓ Report Collect^g Committee

. to Quarterly Meet^g

✓ . Comm. to have oversight [illegible] [illegible]

1842	9mo	~~I. Kelley~~	6mo
		~~Wm Bowman~~ —	10mo
	10m	~~A. G. Coughton~~ —	2mo
	11mo	~~Thos. Otis~~ —	12mo
	12mo	Stephen Howland —	1mo 1844
1843	4mo	Wm Brownell	2mo
	9mo	Isaac Taber	12mo 1843
	12mo	Henry Brownell	9mo 1845
		Thomas A Howland	2mo 1844
1844	1mo	Thos R Taber	3m 1844
	2m	Thos Bowman	4mo "
	3m	F. T. Howland	9mo
	5mo	Rodman Rotch —	8mo
		Jos Bailey	✓ 5mo 1847
	6m	Wm R Grinnell	4mo 1845
	11mo	E W Howland	5mo
1845	2mo	Pardon Tripp	✓ 6m 1847
	4	Daniel D wolf —	2m 1846
	7m	John K Davis 2d —	3mo 1846
	12 —	Geo D wolf	5mo "
1846	2mo	Wm L Rodman —	5mo "
	4mo	✓ Geo Barney	1m 1847
	5	Saml R Morgan —	6mo 1846
		Francis Rowman	6mo "
		Ezra Smith	
	6	Weston Howland —	8mo "
	8	Frederick Robyson —	10mo
		Gedeon Welbets —	9mo
		✓ Alfred Rodman	1mo 1847
	9m	A T Eddy —	12mo 1846
	10m	John Shepherd —	10mo "
	11	✓ John H Drinker —	1mo 1847
		✓ Francis Grinnell	2mo "
		✓ Abm P Cowen	3mo "

[illegible] all meeti[illegible] for religious worſhip and discipline duly attended, the hour obſerved; and are friends preſerved from ſleeping, or any other unbecoming behaviour therein ?

2. Are love and unity maintained among you? Is detraction guarded againſt ? And where any differences ariſe, are endeavours uſed ſpeedily to end them ?

3. Are friends careful to bring up thoſe under their direction in plainneſs of ſpeech, behaviour and apparel? To reſtrain them [illegible] reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt converſation of the world ? Are they good examples herein themſelves ? And are the Holy Scriptures frequently read in their families ?

4. Are friends careful to avoid the uſe of ſpirituous liquors, except for medicine ? The unneceſſary frequenting of taverns, and places of public reſort ? And to keep in true moderation and temperance, on the account of births, marriages, burials, and on other occaſions ?

5. Are the circumſtances of the poor, and ſuch as appear likely to need aſſiſtance, duly inſpected, and their neceſſities relieved, or they aſſiſted in ſuch buſineſs as they are capable of ? Do their children freely partake of learning, to fit them for buſineſs ? And are they, and other friends' children, placed among friends ?

6. Are parents and heads of families, with the young and unmarried, careful that all proceedings with reſpect to marriage be conformable to our diſcipline ?

7. Do you maintain a faithful teſtimony againſt the payment of prieſts' wages, bearing arms, training or other military matters ? Againſt being concerned in property taken in war, buying or vending goods ſuſpected to be run, and againſt making falſe entries, to evade the payment of duties ?

8. Are friends careful to inſpect their affairs and ſettle their accounts ? Are they punctual to their promiſes and juſt in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumſtances ?

9. Are friends careful to have all their marriages, births, deaths and burials duly recorded ? Are any friends removed from or come amongſt you, without certificates ?

10. Do you take due care regularly to deal with all offenders, in the ſpirit of meekneſs and wiſdom, without partiality or unneceſſary delay ? And is judgment placed where it appears neceſſary, in the authority of truth, according to our Diſcipline ?

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IT IS ADVISED,

That no perſons make or encourage propoſals of marriage with each other, without conſent of parents or guardians, or keep company with hoſe who are not of our ſociety, upon that account; that no parent or guardian encourage or connive at their children thus keeping company or marrying; and that no friend encourage diſorderly marriages, either by being preſent at heir accompliſhment, or otherwiſe.

That all public gifts and legacies be ſtrictly applied to the uſes intended by the donors; or, if [illegible] unforſeen occurrence ſhould render ſuch [illegible] difficult or im[illegible]

Cases not decided.

				Committee.
p. 65.	1832.	11 mo.	~~Francis S. Hathaway,~~	~~Anna Delano. J. Wood.~~
76.	1833.	9 mo.	~~Alexander Howland,~~	~~Barnabas Davis. Samuel Wing.~~
84.	1834.	2 mo.	~~Seth Cowing. report 6 mo. '34.~~	~~Anne Delano. Wm. Davis~~
85.	—	3 mo.	~~Cornelius Howland, jr.~~	Perry Russell. ~~Jas. Eddy~~ B. Swift
87.	—	5 mo.	~~George Davis.~~	~~Shadrach Davis. C. Gifford~~
106	1836.	~~4 mo.~~	~~Edward Howland, son of Jn.~~	~~Perry Russell. Richd. Russell~~
109	—	5 mo.	~~Henry S. Howland~~	~~Benj. Taber. Perry Russell~~
"	—	"	[redacted]	~~Geo. W. Baker, E. Thornton~~
111	—	6 mo.	~~Thomas N. Smith~~	~~Geo. W. Baker, Weston Howland~~
112	—	7 mo.	~~Joseph Grinnell~~	~~Job Eddy, E. Thornton~~
"	—	"	[redacted]	~~Geo. Howland.~~
113		8 mo.	[redacted]	~~[illegible] S. C. Hiller. J. Davis~~
114	—	9 mo.	~~Silas Brownell~~	~~Sands Wing. Wm. R. Taber~~
116	—	~~11 mo.~~	~~Jos. Ricketson, jr.~~	~~Geo. W. Baker, J. Howland jr~~
	1837	~~—~~	~~—~~	
		~~4 mo.~~	~~Wm. H. Holden~~	~~W. Davis, Wm. Tallman. [illegible] Howland~~
	1838	~~11 mo.~~	~~Joseph H. Tallman~~	~~Francis Taber. Perry Russell~~
	1839	1 mo.	~~Philip S. Sherman~~	~~Geo. W. Baker. Wm. Tallman~~
	1840	8 mo.	~~David Knowles, [illegible]~~	c Wm. Davis. F. Taber & Sands Wing
	1842	12 mo.	~~Stephen Howland~~	Josiah Holmes & W. R. Taber
	1843	1 mo.	~~Jes. Brownell~~	Wm. Tallman ~~Geo. W. Baker~~ Benj. Swift
	1846	5 mo. -	Ezra Smith	
	1847	4 mo.	✓ ~~W. W. Cowin~~ —	
			✓ Geo. Husseys	
		~~6 mo.~~	✓ ~~Thomas Watt~~	
		7 mo. —	✓ Barnabas Delano	
		8 mo. —	Henry S. Howland	
		9 mo.	John W. Taber	
	1848	1 mo.	Geo. R. Taber	

Appointments.

Old Book. p. 87. } Job Otis is appointed Treasurer, and Peter Barney
8 m°. 1812. } and William Tallman, Auditors, for the
year ensuing, or till another appointment.

2 m°. 1825. Seth Russell named as one of the Auditors,
in place of Peter Barney released by request.

Overseers of the Poor. — 3 m° 1827. — William Tallman, Weston Howland, William Howland, Zeruiah Wood, Areli Dewolf, Wing Howland, and Abraham Davis, are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing, or till others are appointed. — New appt. 2 m°. 1831 — p. 43.
5 m° 1832 p. 49
5 m° 1833 p. 72

Recorder. — William C. Taber is appointed Recorder, & Geo. W. Baker, Assistant Recorder, for the year ensuing, or till another appointment. [3 m°. 1827.] — [5 m°. 1831. p. 46.]
5 m°. 1832. p. 59.
1833. p. 72

New Book.
p. 24. Overseers. — 12 m°. 1829. — 1 m°. 1831 — p. 42. — 1 m°. 1832. — 2 m°. 1833. — p. 68

p. 28 Committee to have the oversight of Funerals. &c. 2 m°. 1830. — 2 m°. 1831 p. 47
2 m°. 1832 2 1833

Clerks. — 9 m°. 1830. — new appt. 9 m°. 1830 p. 37. — 10 m°. 1831. — 2 m°. 1833
11 m°. 1832. —
12 m°. 1833 —

School Com.

School Committee. 7 m°. 1825. Extracts from the Report of the Boarding School Committee, were read, & in compliance therewith; Barnd. Taber, Job Otis, Abm. Davis, John R. Davis, Cornelius Howland and Abm. Shearman, Junr. are appointed a Committee on behalf of this Meeting, to whom Parents and others desirous of sending Children to the School, are requested to make seasonable application. new appt. 7 m°. 183

(2) John Wests Estate. 7 m°. 1821. [p. 241.] — The Com. to settle with the Trustees of John Wests Estate, made the following report: — "We have attended to the settlement of the Accounts of the Trustees to the Estate of John West deceased, and find a balance due from them of $115.70 — at this date, as will appear on the Book belonging to said Esta

N. Bedford, 4 m° 14. 1821.

Abm. Smith, } Comee
Caleb Greene }

which is acceptable to this Meeting. —— Stephen Hathaway desiring to be released from the appt. of Trustee to said Estate, Wm. Tallman is appointed to act in that station in his stead — And Seth Russell is appointed on the Com. to settle with the Trustees in the place of Abm. Smith, who requests to be excused.

(Over.)

/3/ 7mo. 1824 – p. 285. — George Howland is appd. on the Com. to settle with the Trustees of Jno. West's Estate, in place of Caleb Greene, deceased.

Previous Minutes.

Records of N.B. Mo. Mg. — Book First.

p. 61 – 1796. 11mo. A Committee appointed to confer with a Com. from Dartmo. Mo. Mg. – respecting a transfer of the care of Jno. West's Estate to this Mg.

p. 67. 2mo. 1797. — Committee report that they think it may be safe for this Mg. to receive the care of Sd. Estate. — which was accepted; and Abraham Smith & Thos. Hazard appd. to have the care thereof for the year ensuing.

p. 93. 5mo. 1798. — Committee made a satisfactory report, & were continued for the year ensuing.

p. 101. 10mo. 1798. — "Peter Fuller having resigned his place as Trustee to the Estate of the late Jno. West, we appoint Thos. Hazard Jr. as Trustee thereto until another appointment. — Caleb Greene is appointed in his stead as one of the Committee to have the oversight thereof."

Second Book of Records.

(I) p. 165. 7mo. 1816. "Thomas Hazard, one of the Trustees of Jno. West's Estate, having removed from this place, John Taber is appointed a Trustee thereof in his stead."

Trustees appointed by the Meeting, as by previous minutes.

1798. 10mo. — Thomas Hazard, Jr. in place of Peter Fuller, resigned.
1816. 7mo. John Taber, in place of Thos. Haz. — remod. from N. Bedfd.
1821. 7mo. Wm. Tallman, in place of Stephen Hathaway, resigned.
1832. 3mo. Geo. Howland, } in place of
Jno. Howland, Jr. } John Taber & Wm. Tallman.

Committees to settle accts. of Trustees.

1797. 2mo. Abm. Smith,
Thos. Hazard.
1798. 10mo. Caleb Greene. in place of Thos. Hazard.
1821. 7mo. – Seth Russell, — " — Abm. Smith.
1824. 7mo. – George Howland. – " — Caleb Greene.
1832. 3mo. Job Eddy } reported, 7mo. 1833. —
Geo. W. Baker.

CIRCULAR.

TO OUR FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS.

A number of the members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, convened in that city in the Fourth month last, to deliberate upon the means of promoting the concern which the Society of Friends in all parts of the world has long professed, in relation to the unrighteous system of slavery so sorrowfully prevalent in the United States. In pursuance of a conclusion adopted by that meeting, a circular was prepared and disseminated among our fellow members, bringing into view the obvious and undeniable fact, that the slave trade and the slavery which has grown out of it, owe their existence and vitality to the market for the productions of slave labour; suggesting the formation of an association within the limits of our Yearly Meeting, to consist exclusively of members, for the purpose of supplying the market, as far at least as their own custom was concerned, through the instrumentality of free labour, with those articles which are now chiefly procured by the labour of slaves; and inviting such Friends as approved of the measure, and were willing to take part in the labour, to meet at Clarkson Hall, on the 20th of Sixth month following.

A meeting was accordingly held, and an association formed and partially organized, under the title of "The Free Produce Association of Friends of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting." The constitution herewith submitted was adopted, subject however, to such modifications and improvements as experience and further deliberation may suggest; and Friends who favour the general object contemplated by the association, are respectfully invited to attend the next meeting, to be held at the same place, Clarkson Hall, Cherry street, between Sixth and Seventh streets, on Sixth-day the 19th of the present month, at 7 o'clock, P. M., when this subject in its various relations and ramifications will be open to discussion; and all reasonable objections, if any should be offered, to the plan or procedure thus far attempted, will be respectfully heard.

While presenting this invitation to our fellow members, to those who have not, as well as to those who have attended the previous meetings, a few considerations connected with this deeply interesting subject, may with propriety be subjoined.

In the first place, we may observe, that we are adopting no novel doctrines or principles.

In an article of our book of Discipline copied from a minute of 1755, modified in the revision of 1806, relating to the practice of enslaving mankind, Friends are exhorted "to be no way accessary to this enormous national evil, *but to discourage it by all the justifiable means in their power*." Certainly an effort to withdraw our custom from a market which supports both slavery and the slave trade, is an attempt to discourage the system of slavery in all its parts. And who will assert that the substitution of free for slave labour is not a justifiable mode of effecting it?

In the same book, page 129, the Meeting for Sufferings is admonished to embrace every suitable opportunity for advancing our testimony against the African slave trade, and for calling the attention of the public mind to this awfully interesting subject. And the proceedings of that meeting sufficiently prove, that the advancement of our testimony against slavery itself, and against the internal traffic in slaves, is considered as included in its duties. In the year 1837, an Address to the people of the United States was prepared by that meeting, and widely disseminated under the authority of the Yearly Meeting. In this address we find the following declaration. "The responsibility of contributing as citizens of our common government, to support this unrighteous institution, and thus degrading the afflicted descendants of Africa, nearly to a level with the brute creation, is felt by many conscientious Christians to be serious and weighty; hence they cannot but desire that the subject may increasingly engage the solemn deliberation of their fellow citizens, more particularly of those, who from the possession of power or influence, may be enabled to promote their liberation." Now this association is designed to operate upon the general interests of slavery, as far as it operates at all, by diminishing the demand for slave labour, and substituting the labour of freemen. Hence its effect, if successfully prosecuted, must be to promote the extinction of slavery. It is therefore entirely in unison with the desire above expressed.

In the spring of 1844, the Meeting for Sufferings presented to the Senate of the United States a forcible remonstrance against the annexation of Texas. One of the principal objections assigned was that such annexation would furnish a new and powerful impetus to the inter-territorial traffic in the persons of men, by opening an extensive tract of fertile land to slave cultivation. But without a market for the products of slave labour, this traffic would not be prosecuted. Consequently, if we have not influence enough to prevent this annexation, the withdrawal of our custom from the market which slave cultivation supplies, would be to withhold our contributions from the violence and oppression which that meeting anticipated as the necessary result of the measure in question.

In the year 1824, the report of the Southern Quarter called the attention of our Yearly Meeting to the subject of Friends hiring slaves to assist them in their business; and the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting was, that when slaves were thus hired, and the price of their services was intended for the benefit of those who claimed the right of ownership, and not designed or applied to promote the liberation of the slaves, such conduct was a violation of our testimony, and if persisted in, a cause for disownment. If a Friend violates the testimonies of the Society, by employing a slave hired of his master, upon his own farm, where he may be treated with all reasonable kindness, it is not easily perceived that the case is much improved by employing the slave on the plantation of his master, subject to the cruelty of a hired overseer, and then paying the master both for the labour of the slave, and the oversight of the driver. We may at least, admit that the Friend who declines purchasing the products of slave labour, and thus avoids paying the master for the toil of the slave, and superintendence of the overseer, carries out the principle inculcated by the minute of 1824.

A minute of our Yearly Meeting of 1839, which was printed and circulated among our members, contains the following clause. "The close connexion, and intimate intercourse which is maintained between the different sections of our common country, through the diversified and widely spread channels of commerce and business, may, unless we are very watchful, blunt our sensibilities to the cruelties of slavery, and diminish our abhorrence of its injustice. We wish tenderly to invite our dear Friends to an individual inquiry, with a single eye to the pointings of Truth, how far they are clear in these respects; and should such an examination awaken serious apprehensions as to any part of their traffic, that they may be willing to forego every prospect of gain, arising from the prosecution of business, which is incompatible with the purity of our religious profession." This advice certainly recognizes not only the right, but the duty, of seriously examining whether we are supporting, in our commerce or business, the unrighteous system of slavery. The principle of the admonition, if not the letter, applies with similar, if not equal force, to our consumption of its products, and if it related to anything but slavery would doubtless be so understood. The consumer supports the traffic as well as encourages the production. Individuals, who, from religious or moral considerations, are induced to question the propriety of using the products of slave labour, are therefore indirectly, if not directly encouraged to regard their scruples and carry them into practice. But in the present complicated state of commerce, and in consequence of the mixture of free with slave labour in the production of many of the usual conveniences of life, the separation can hardly be effectually secured except by a systematic union of efforts. The consumer, without some assistance, can seldom ascertain, with satisfactory clearness, whether the articles which he purchases are actually the produce of free labour or not. Besides, a demand for the products of free, to the exclusion of slave labour, which an association might create, but a few unconnected individuals cannot, would infallibly produce a supply.

In the next place, we observe, it is proposed to confine the association to members of our own religious Society, and thus prevent the danger of subjecting our proceedings to influences unfavourable to our profession and principles.

Lastly. As our association involves no principles to which we apprehend any moral objections can be raised—as our object is, not to cast a censure on those Friends or others who do not unite with us, but simply to carry out our own convictions of duty, and pursue such peaceable and rational means as appear calculated to wear away the system of slavery by turning the stream of commerce into a more righteous channel, we may hope that when our views are properly understood, we shall obtain the concurrence and approbation of all who desire to see the galling yoke of negro slavery speedily broken without violence or commotion.

Enoch Lewis,
Samuel Alsop,
Abraham L. Pennock,
Edward Garrett.

Committee.

Philadelphia, Ninth mo. 3d, 1485

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

FREE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS OF PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING.

We believe that slaveholding is diametrically opposed to the whole spirit and tenor of the Christian religion, and that while it sustains the traffic in slaves, it is mainly supported by the traffic in and the consumption of the productions of slave labour. In order therefore to promote the use and facilitate the acquirement of goods supplied by free labour, we unite in an association under the title of the "Free Produce Association of Friends of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting," and adopt for its government the following constitution.

Art. 1st. The Association shall consist of such members of the Religious Society of Friends as concur in the above views and purposes, and sign the constitution, or request their names to be entered on the list of members.

Art. 2nd. The Association shall meet annually in the city of Philadelphia, at such time and place as it may prescribe, or the managers, in the absence of such direction, shall appoint. It shall meet at other times by adjournment, or on the special call of the Board of Managers, or of any ten members.

Art. 3rd. The officers of the Association shall be a Secretary, Treasurer, and Managers, to be appointed at the annual meetings.

Art. 4th. The Secretary shall keep regular records of the proceedings of the Association.

Art. 5th. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys which may be contributed for promoting the objects of the Association, and pay them over to the order of the Association or of the Board of Managers; keeping regular accounts thereof, to be laid before the Association at its annual meetings.

Art. 6th. The Board of Managers shall consist of eight members, besides the Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be *ex-officio* members; any five of whom shall form a quorum for the transaction of business. They shall attend, under the instruction of the Association, to the promotion of the objects of the institution, and may adopt such rules, regulating their meetings and proceedings, as they shall deem expedient.

Art. 7th. The Association shall aim to procure correct information of the condition of the countries with which we have commercial intercourse, in respect to free and slave labour, and the means of discriminating between their productions when they exist together; and shall endeavour to ascertain and disseminate facts which show the injustice and the destructiveness of human life connected with slave labour; the impolicy of it; and the duty of disconnecting ourselves from its support. It shall adopt means for obtaining a supply of such articles, the productions of free labour, as are not readily to be procured by individuals through the ordinary channels of commerce or manufactures.

Art. 8th. The Association shall correspond, by itself, or its Board of Managers, as occasion shall require, with such similar associations as may be established elsewhere; or with persons interested in promoting the objects of the institution.

Art. 9th. The Association shall encourage the formation of a fund by absolute contributions, or loans without interest, for the purpose of purchasing free cotton, and manufacturing it into fabrics, and for procuring other free goods, for which there may be occasion of making provision. Such fund shall be kept detached from all other moneys of the Association; and so much of it as may be received on loan, shall be subject to a distributive proportion of any loss upon the whole amount, should such loss occur.

Proportions of Stock — 1829

Sandwich,	13
Pembroke	5
Nantucket	20
Dartmouth	15
Westport	14
New Bedford,	33 — $100.

Proportions in 1812.

	1814		
1814 —	10 —	Sandwich,	9
	3 —	Pembroke	2
	20	Nantucket	20
	12	Dartmouth	11
	10	Westport	9
	30	N. Bedford	27
	15	Nantucket N.D.	22 — $ 100.
	$ 100.		

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C R Tucker
Mathew Howlin

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